

# RESURRECTION PARISH

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Second Sunday of Lent

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**BULLETIN DEADLINE: Wednesday 10 days prior**      **SPIRITUALITY    OUTREACH    STEWARDSHIP**

Resurrection Parish is a welcoming Roman Catholic Community founded on the renewed vision of Vatican II. Dedicated to the ongoing formation of all parishioners, we seek a deeper spirituality by encountering God in liturgy, prayer, scripture, service and in each other. We make a fuller commitment to outreach by seeking to understand and to address the emotional, physical and spiritual needs of our parish community and beyond our borders. For the evangelization of our community and our stewardship of God's kingdom we will joyfully share our time, talent and treasure making the gospel call to ministry our way of life.



**THE LORD'S DAY**  
**Saturday Vigil 5:30 PM**  
**Sunday 8:15 and 10:30 AM**  
**and 5:30 PM**

**WEEKDAY MASS**  
**Mon., Wed., Thu., Fri. 8:30 AM**  
**Tuesday 7:00 PM**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**  
**Tues. 6:30 PM**  
**Sat. 4:45 PM**

**RCIA**  
 For information on the process for adults being fully initiated into the Catholic Church, please call the Pastor.

**SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**  
 One year preparation period is required.

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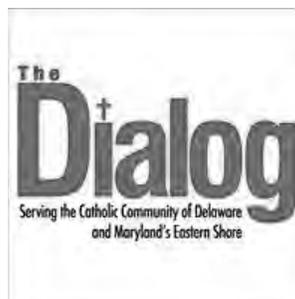
**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**  
 Before the birth of your child, please call the Christian Formation Office about the preparation process.



## We are called to build a culture of encounter.

Jesus made that clear from the way he lived, the message he preached. Pope Francis makes that clear by his own daily example. And we have a host of holy men and women who have come before us, who have gone to the margins of society so that every member of our human family might know the love of God. Now, it's our turn. With the spiritual pillars of Lent at our disposal, we set out on a 40-day journey, a journey of encounter with ourselves, our neighbors and our God. • Through prayer, we encounter Christ, present in the faces of every member of our human family, so often still walking that long road to Calvary. • Through fasting, we encounter our own obstacles, those things about

ourselves that prevent us from loving God and neighbor. • Through almsgiving, we encounter our brothers and sisters around the world, asking what we can give up so that others might have life to the fullest. Lent is our time to encounter, to cultivate a spirit of global solidarity. CRS Rice Bowl is our guide, a vehicle through which the stories of communities around the world can be shared, an invitation through which our prayers and Lenten sacrifices can change lives. How will you contribute to the culture of encounter this Lent?



The Dialog is distributed through our parish. Our diocesan newspaper keeps us informed about issues and events of concern to the Catholic community. Please make sure to pick up a copy here at church.

**INTENTIONS**

Monday	Mar. 13	8:30 am	
Tuesday	Mar. 14	7:00 pm	+Frank Hollweck
Wednesday	Mar. 15	8:30 am	
Friday	Mar. 17	8:30 am	+Peggy Collins
Saturday	Mar. 18	5:30 pm	Parish Community
Sunday	Mar. 19	8:15 am	+Henry John Wisniewski
		10:30 am	+Lillian Mazzenga

Parish **cancels daily Mass** on Thursdays. We recommend attending a church closest to you.



God is the source of all healing and hope, to whom we lift up in prayer the needs of the sick and those who care for them. Pray for all the needs in our Book of Intentions and for those

in our Parish Family who are sick: *Lord, allow your healing hand to assist* Joan Donnelly, JD Howell, Jack & Jane Tabaka, Joseph Hemphill, Renee Roder, Alyssa Stover, Chet Andruskiewicz, Jim Gambort, Maryann Ciabattoni, Helen Meys, Candi Smith, Kat Edwards, Sean McCormick, Janice Kane, Ralph Culver, Cass Thomas, Kyle Rzucidlo, Mike Pohlen, Beth Callahan, Carol Strasser, Alice Weaver, Courtney Corridori and others mentioned in our parish book of intentions.

**LITURGY**



**The Sound of Communion:** The priest receives Holy Communion, and then there is movement, a bustle of activity, as we prepare to join the Communion procession. This holy meal does not happen in silence! Instead, we sing together even as we rise and move forward in procession to

the altar. We must change and move to receive the Eucharist, and fittingly so, since the Eucharist is transformative—it demands action of us, internal as well as external. We do not receive the sacrament in silence, but with a dialogue that is also a profession of faith: “The Body of Christ.” “Amen.” “The Blood of Christ.” “Amen.” We acknowledge the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist with our “Amen” of faith, but more, our “Amen” is also a prayer that we may become what we receive, the Body of Christ, living and active in the world. We

receive him not that he may become a part of us, but that we may become a part of him—part, too, of all the others who receive him, the whole communion of believers.

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**Taizé Prayer around the Cross  
Sunday March 19 ~ 7:00 pm  
at Resurrection Parish**



Come away from your busy lives and spend some quiet time with the Lord. All are invited to gather for Prayer around the Cross. In this prayer, we come together to draw from the wellsprings of trust. This Taizé Prayer will be a collaboration of Immaculate Conception-St. Jude, St. John's/Holy Angels, and Resurrection parishes.



**Area Reconciliation Services**  
**March 21, 7 pm--Holy Family**  
 Route 4, Ogletown  
**April 3, 7 pm--St Mary**  
 7200 Lancaster Pike, Hockessin  
**April 4, noon and 7 pm--St John the Beloved**  
 905 Milltown Road, Wilmington

A priest is here at Resurrection each Tuesday at 6:30 pm and Saturday at 4:45 pm for individuals to receive the sacrament of reconciliation.

**Sunday, March 12, 2017, will be the last 5:30 pm Sunday Mass at Resurrection.** That Mass was started to fill a regional niche or need to have a Sunday evening Mass. St. John Beloved (3.5 miles) has a Mass at 5:00 pm.

**PARISH LIFE**

**Thank You for supporting Girl Scout Troop 1207!** Please pick up your Girl Scout cookie order at the parish office.

**The Failing Drug War in “Murdertown” — A radical rethinking of police and community relations**, will be the subject of a forum held at the First Unitarian Church, 730 Halstead Road (off Concord Pike/Rt. 202) in Wilmington, Delaware, on March 12 at 4 p.m. With a determination to understand and address the racial catastrophe known as the “war on drugs,” the First Unitarian Church is bringing back the Forum, a popular educational and outreach event. The keynote speaker will be Major Neill Franklin of the Law Enforcement Action Partnership (LEAP).



**Below is a series of four talks: "To Be a Healing Presence in the Community" that will be held at St. Catherine of Siena Church** Gathering Space, 2503 Centerville Road, Wilmington DE 19808. Topics will address key concerns of our West Wilmington/Suburbs and Red Clay School District in light of parental responsibility and Christian Faith. **All Are Welcome.** They series will be held Wednesdays from 7-8:30 on

March 15th - "The Teacher who Forms a Child's Character"

March 22nd - "The Police Officer who is Protector of the Community"

March 29th - "Stand Your Ground - How to Respond Non-violently to Provocation"

April 5th - "The Missing Father."

### **Paschal Season**

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Thursday evening with the Mass of the Lord's Supper. It begins with the grim but honest ashes, the solemn reminder of all our limits and the church's call to conversion. The ashes remind us that we are dust (from the earth and human from "humus," meaning dirt) and that we will return to the earth. So the ashes remind us of our humanity, our need to be humble and to recognize our limitations. The ashes are done publicly so as to remind us all that not only are we human, but that we are in this process of doing penance together. Lent is also a season of 40 days. Forty because Jesus was in the desert for forty days; Moses was on the mountain for forty days; the Israelites were in the desert for forty years. Forty has significance with penance, temptation and desert-like experiences and so we pray, fast and give alms for forty days in order once again to renew our baptismal

promises at Easter. Lent is also the time we enroll the catechumens for their baptism. In this process they become the Elect of God; the chosen ones. Hazel was enrolled on Saturday March 4 and so she is now officially an Elect. Later during Lent, we will scrutinize her so that she will be set free from all that keeps her from accepting God's love and living in that love. We pray for both Hazel and ourselves; for Hazel that she will be free to accept God's love and for ourselves that we will live as the children of God that we are.

**Shawl Ministry:** Monday March 13 from 12:30 to 2 in room 2. Come pray and knit or crochet, with us. The shawls we make will bring comfort to family and friends in need. New members are always welcome!

**Pilgrimage 2017: Love Without Measure Saturday, April 8, 2017.** Bishop Malooly invites youth and young adults from all parishes and schools to join him as we come together for the eighth annual Pilgrimage. *For more information or to register, please contact Elaine. Registration deadline through Elaine is March 26, 2017. Families can also register on their own at <http://www.cdowcym.org> before April 2, 2017*

### **VBS Friendly's Fundraiser**

Join us for a Friendly's Fundraiser on *Tuesday, March 21st from 5:00 to 8:00pm* at the Lantana Square Friendly's. Ten percent of all dine in and carry out purchases during this time will benefit the Ebenezer United Methodist's/ Resurrection Parish Vacation Bible School 2017. Grab a flyer as you leave church. They are located on the table next to *The Dialog*. Please show your server the flyer, so we receive credit for your purchase. Thank you.

### **SOCIAL CONCERNS**

**Fair Trade Sale: Our next Fair Trade Coffee/Tea/Chocolate sale is this weekend.** Delivery will be the weekend of March 25/26. Fair Trade chocolate is a great way to fill Easter baskets for your loved ones! Thanks for supporting struggling farmers around the world.

### **Give It Up For Gulu Dining Event:**

*Please join us in giving hope to the children in Gulu, Uganda! Grub Burger Bar Profit Share event benefitting St. Catherine of Siena School in Gulu March 16th - Concord Mall, Wilmington - 11am-10pm Visit [www.giveitupforgulu.com](http://www.giveitupforgulu.com) for more details*

## ELEMENTARY CHRISTIAN FORMATION



**Welcome! K-5 Christian Formation Program (CFP) meet from 9:15-10:15. Drop off begins at 9:10. See you there!**

Would you like more information about Christian

Formation for Children (Religious Education or Sacramental Preparation)? Contact Nancy at 302-368-0146 ext. 104 or at [nmaloney@resurrectionde.org](mailto:nmaloney@resurrectionde.org).

## CFP: YOUTH MINISTRY



**Middle School and High School Youth Group:**

Sunday March 5, 2017 6:30-8:15 PM

**Confirmation Class:**

March 12, 2017 12:00-2:30PM

**Youth presentation of the Stations of the Cross**

Friday, March 24 at 7:00 PM

## TAKING IT HOME

As we continue Lent, one question that might come to our minds is how could Jesus have prepared himself for what he would face, rejection, trials, suffering and even the thought of death? Knowing full well that he was engaging in a conflict with powerful authorities that would stir anger and resentment against him, how could he still so willingly and freely do so? Was Jesus either so oblivious to his situation or was he so grounded in God that he could walk toward Jerusalem without flinching? Most likely it was because he was grounded in God.

Throughout his mission Jesus was a man of the first commandment; meaning he loved God above all else and he trusted mightily in God. So Jesus kept in constant touch with the source of his energy, the God who loved him as the beloved Son. It was something that Jesus nurtured throughout his life. In his lifetime Jesus did what he did today for his disciples; he went to the mountain again and again to experience the energy that only God could give. He listened to God and then allowed his human effort to cooperate with divine grace so that he was able to overcome the challenges of rejection, trials, suffering and even death.

We too are a people who are constantly faced with challenges. There are the challenges that we face of growing old in a world that constantly wants to remain young; parenting alongside the world of work and having the urge to make the world a better place for our children and succeeding generations. We want to be a people of compassion for those in need; we want to bring peace to a world in conflict and we want to live lives of integrity and authenticity. But our commitment to doing all these things and to faithfully following our better instincts is hard. And so with utter human determination we grunt our way through life, trying the best we can.

Our gospel for this weekend is the familiar story of Jesus' transfiguration on Mount Tabor witnessed by Peter, James and John. As the story goes, Jesus leads his disciples up the mountain where he is transfigured before them. Peter's reaction to the event is a good one, "Jesus it is good for us to be here." And it is good! But, unfortunately, Peter also wanted to stay on the mountain, to hold onto this experience for all that it was worth. But Jesus knew things that his disciples did not. He knew that the mountain experience was good, but that it was not an experience that could be held forever. Eventually they will have to come down the mountain to face the road ahead. The mountain experience is not to be contemplated for its own sake. It is meant to put us in touch with the energy, that divine grace, which helps to keep us on track; to give us a brief vision of how reality is at its core. But we don't hold onto it, we listen to it as God says, "This is my beloved Son...listen to him." We go up the mountain again and again to listen to Jesus so that sustained by this prayer we can go back down the mountain with the energy we need to face the difficult road ahead. Deacon John

**All are welcome to the St. John the Beloved, Wilmington, Delaware, Parish Lenten Mission** retreat that begins Friday evening, March 31, at 6:30 pm with the Living Stations of the Cross and continues on Saturday, April 1. Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio will present on Friday evening as well as twice on Saturday. Please visit the Parish website [www.sjbde.org](http://www.sjbde.org) for more information and to register for this free event.



**Grief Workshop: Tuesday, March 28, 9:30 am 3:30 pm**  
**Day of Reflection: Lord, Help Heal My Broken Heart with Sister Rosie Castelli.**

995-6858. [jesushousecenter.org](http://jesushousecenter.org).



**THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT**  
**GOSPEL – JOHN 4: 5 – 15, 19B-26,**  
**39A, 40-42**

Jesus came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of land that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there. Jesus, tired from his journey, sat down there at the well. It was about noon. A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." His disciples had gone into the town to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, "How can you, a Jew, ask me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?" – For Jews use nothing in common with Samaritans. – Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water.'" The woman said to him, "Sir, you do not even have a bucket and the cistern is deep; where then can you get this living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us this cistern and drank from it himself with his children and his flocks?" Jesus answered and said to her, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again; but whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may not be thirsty or have to

keep coming here to draw water. "I can see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain; but you people say that the place to worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Believe me, woman, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You people worship what you do not understand; we worship what we understand, because salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when true worshipers will worship the Father in Spirit and truth; and indeed the Father seeks such people to worship him. God is Spirit, and those who worship him must worship in Spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that the Messiah is coming, the one called the Christ; when he comes, he will tell us everything." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking with you." Many of the Samaritans of that town began to believe in him. When the Samaritans came to him, they invited him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. Many more began to believe in him because of his word, and they said to the woman, "We no longer believe because of your word; for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the savior of the world."

**Gospel Reflection:** The encounter between Jesus and the Samaritan woman at the well is rich in historical and cultural nuance that enhances our understanding and interpretation of this passage. When he asks the woman for a drink, Jesus breaks two cultural taboos: first, for a man to speak directly to an

unchaperoned woman was somewhat scandalous; second, as the woman points out, Jesus is a Jew and directly addresses a Samaritan—another scandal. Jesus successfully gains the woman's attention by ignoring these social taboos, but she fails to fully understand his reference to "living water". The reference to the woman's five husbands has often been construed to suggest that she was either a prostitute or a serial widow. However, it may in fact be a reference to the Samaritans binding themselves (wedding themselves) to the five books of the Torah and ignoring the writings of the prophets and other later writings. This reference is followed by another fact that set Jews and Samaritans apart: the Samaritans worshiped God on a local mountain, Mt Gerazim, while the Jews held that true worship could only take place in Jerusalem.

Jesus dismisses this major difference between Jews and Samaritans by declaring that soon "true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth." He is indicating the much more personal relationship with God that he models; not bound up by ritual, place, and law.

Having set the scene for breaking down the walls between Jews and Samaritans, Jesus then reveals to the woman unequivocally that he is the promised Messiah. The woman rushes back to the town to spread the good news about Jesus. She becomes a missionary for him; and a remarkably effective one. The people are convinced by her testimony and flock to Jesus where they have their own personal faith encounter with him.

- Q. Why is it significant that it was a Samaritan woman Jesus met at the well?*  
*Q. In what ways does an historical understanding of the Samaritans assist our understanding of this passage?*  
*Q. What is it about her encounter with Jesus that prompts the woman to speak about Jesus in the town?*  
*Q. How are we able to come "face to face" with Jesus today as did the woman at the well?*

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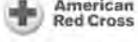
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