

# RESURRECTION PARISH

April 2, 2017

Fifth Sunday of Lent

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**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**

**WEEKDAY MASS**  
**Mon., Wed. and 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.

**PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK**  
 For hospital and home visits, please call the office for arrangements.

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

## Immigrants Among Us: Why it Matters

**April 6, 2017**  
**7:00 PM-8:30 PM**  
**Resurrection Parish**

Join immigration attorney, Maria Baldini-Potermin, as she discusses facts and myths associated with immigration in the United States.

This talk is appropriate for youth (middle and high school students) and adults alike. Learn how immigration impacts our day to day lives and how deportation and other issues impact or could impact our neighbors and classmates of our children. We will start with terminology so all understand the meaning of words such as noncitizen, migrant worker, undocumented and citizen. Please RSVP to Elaine Little at [elittle@resurrectionde.org](mailto:elittle@resurrectionde.org), so we are sure to have a chair for you.

**April 9--Palm Sunday**  
**of the Passion of Our Lord**  
 Sat. 5:30 p.m. Sun. 8:15 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Mass

**April 13--Holy Thursday**  
 7:30 p.m. Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper  
 10:00 p.m. Night Prayer

**April 14--Good Friday**  
 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer  
 [Noon to 3 p.m. "The Way of the Cross" Walk]  
 7:30 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

**April 15--Holy Saturday**  
 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer  
 9:45 a.m. Blessing of Easter Foods  
 8:30 p.m. The Easter Vigil

**April 16--Easter Sunday**  
**of the Resurrection of Our Lord**  
 8:15 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Mass

## INTENTIONS

Monday	Apr. 3	8:30 am	+Leslie Lloyd
Tuesday	Apr. 4	7:00 pm	+George Maliga
Wednesday	Apr. 5	8:30 am	+Sara Tait
Friday	Apr. 7	8:30 am	+Jane Panichelli
Saturday	Apr. 8	5:30 pm	Parish Community
Sunday	Apr. 9	8:15 am	+Henry Maliga
		10:30 am	+Robert Mudrock

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 Ciabattini, 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, Dee Mudrock, Elba Arroyo, and others mentioned in our parish book of intentions.

## LITURGY



**Blessing and Dismissal:** At the beginning of Mass, the priest made the sign of the cross with us. At the conclusion of Mass, he makes the sign of the cross over us, a sign of blessing. We are then dismissed—not just let out, but sent forth with a mission, to “announce the Gospel of the Lord.” Just as Jesus blessed his

disciples as he ascended to heaven, so this leave-taking is joined to a blessing, a prayer for God’s continuing protection. As we leave the church, we bear the invisible sign of the Master whom we follow. In the words of an ancient letter to Diognetus, “Christians are indistinguishable from other [people] either by nationality, language, or customs. They do not inhabit

separate cities of their own, or speak a strange dialect, or follow an outlandish way of life. . . . And yet, there is something extraordinary about their lives” (*Liturgy of the Hours*, Vol. II, p. 840). We are ordinary people sent forth to live extraordinary lives, lives like Christ’s own life—pouring ourselves out for others in prayer, service, and love. the concluding rites of the Mass. They offer us ways to live the Eucharist, to become what we have received—the Body of Christ, living and active in our local community.

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### **Area Reconciliation Services**

**April 3, 7 pm**

**--St Mary of the Assumption**

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.

### **LENTEN FRIDAY PRAYER**



4/7, 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross  
in English and Tamil  
(at Resurrection Parish)

### Triduum Choir Rehearsals

Please let Ruth Sanders ([rsanders@resurrectionde.org](mailto:rsanders@resurrectionde.org)) know you intend to participate so that we can have music ready for you.

#### **Holy Thursday Women’s Choir**

Monday April 10, 7-8:30 p.m.

#### **Good Friday Men’s Choir**

Wednesday, April 5, 7-9 p.m.

Monday, April 10, 7-9 p.m.

#### **Easter Vigil Combined Women’s/Men’s Choirs**

Sunday April 2, noon-2 p.m.

Saturday April 15, 1-3:30 p.m.

**ENVIRONMENT PREP and MOVING CHAIRS for Triduum:** On Sunday Palm Sunday 4/9 after the 10:30 a.m. Mass we will prepare our Worship Space for Triduum. Please help if you are able. Thank you.

**Linen Sacristans Needed:** Looking for a way to help at church while not leaving home? Altar linen sacristans launder and iron small altar linens in their homes. These linens include the purificators, corporals, hand towels, and altar cloth on occasion. Linen sacristans serve about one each month to pick up soiled linens, usually after the last Mass on Sunday, and return the clean linens before the next weekend Mass. Please contact Ruth Sanders, [rsanders@resurrectionde.org](mailto:rsanders@resurrectionde.org), 302-368-0146 Ext. 106.

## **PARISH LIFE**



### **Gardening Opportunity!**

Spring is coming, and there are plots available in the Resurrection community garden. Plots are 20'x10' for \$70, 10'x10' for \$35, and 20" pots are \$7 each. Interested? Contact Mark Oliver at 302-737-1660 or [suzmarko@verizon.net](mailto:suzmarko@verizon.net)

### **An Olympian among us!**

Torie Moore competed in the Special Olympics World Winter Games in Austria. There were 210 nations present and 200 athletes from the USA competing in a host of winter sports. Torie was in the snowshoeing competition for the USA team. Torie won 1 Gold Medal in the 200m, and 2 Bronze Medals in the 100m and the 4x100m relay. Way to go Torie!

**Paschal Season:** Next week begins Holy Week. The purpose of Holy Week is the remembrance of Christ's passion, death and resurrection. Holy Week begins with Jesus' triumphal entrance into Jerusalem on Passion/Palm Sunday and culminates with the celebration of the Sacred Triduum. These days of Holy Week are marked by intense prayer as we gather as a community, pray at home and keep vigil. The prayer of these days is in union with the whole Church throughout the world and throughout the ages. The Passion of the Lord dominates these days.

Passion/Palm Sunday begins with the blessing and procession of palms, symbolizing Jesus' triumphal entrance into Jerusalem. But the mood of this day becomes dramatically somber as the proclamation of the Passion according Matthew takes center stage. From this point forward the focus of Holy Week up to the beginning of the Sacred Triduum on Holy Thursday evening is on the Passion of the Lord. With the Sacred

Triduum, we enter the second phase of our Paschal Season, the season of three, which is the meaning of the word Triduum. Lent ends on Holy Thursday evening with the Mass of the Lord's Supper.

**SNAP Support Group:** A support group for survivors of clergy sexual abuse and their families sponsored by Survivors Network of those Abused by Priests (SNAP) meets in Wilmington on the second Tuesday of each month from 7:00-8:30 p.m. For the location, call Judy Miller at 302-234-1519 or email: [snapdelaware@yahoo.com](mailto:snapdelaware@yahoo.com). We hope that you will join us for this informal and confidential meeting.

**Good Friday Cross Walk:** The The Way of the Cross will take place on Good Friday, April 14, beginning at Resurrection Parish at Noon, traveling along Linden Hill Road and then Polly Drummond Hill Road, and ending at Ebenezer Methodist Church at approximately 3 pm. This is a meditative walk with prayer, singing and readings. We carry the cross with us. This is a great opportunity to remember, meditate and worship with your neighbors in the Pike Creek Valley. Transportation will be available back to Resurrection parking lot from Ebenezer Church. Please contact Dick Schwer at 368-2328 for additional information or if interested in doing a reading for one of the stations

**Join the Pastoral Council:** The Pastoral Council works with the Pastor to establish and administer pastoral goals for the Parish and foster a spirit of faith, hope, and love throughout the community. This spring we're looking for parishioners to run for election to the Council. **To Sign up as a candidate for this Spring's election, please see a current member of the Council in the Gathering Space after Masses on April 1/2 and 8/9.**

**Shawl Ministry:** Come pray, and knit or crochet, with us. The shawls we make will bring comfort to family and friends in need. Join us on Monday, April 10 at 12:30 p.m. in room 2.

**Introduction to Centering Prayer:** Saturday, April



8, 9:30 a.m. 3:30 p.m. 30 pm Day of Reflection. The practice of Centering Prayer allows us to open to the presence and action of God not only during the prayer period, but also during the activities of everyday life. Cost is \$40 and includes lunch. Jesus House Prayer and Renewal Center, 2501 Milltown Rd, 302-995-6858. [jesushousecenter.org](http://jesushousecenter.org)

## SOCIAL CONCERNS

We encounter Dita in Ethiopia, and see how her new found entrepreneurial skills are providing three meals a day for her children—



even during a devastating drought. What skills have you discovered this Lent that can be put to

good use in building God's kingdom? Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) for more.

## ELEMENTARY CHRISTIAN FORMATION

### Be a Prayer Partner

Please be a Prayer Partner to our First Holy Communion candidates. Visit the First Holy Communion display outside of the chapel. You can take a child's name from the basket and pray for the child each week as they prepare for their First Holy Communion.



**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 April 2, 2017  
6:30-8:15 PM

## TAKING IT HOME

John Shea in his book on the gospels of cycle "A" readings tells the following story for this gospel for the 5th Sunday of Lent. The story is of a distraught young widow who told him the following: "Someone should have told me that all marriages end either in divorce or death." As a follow up to this remark, John Shea goes on to say that the truth about people who are eternally grounded is: "the deeper the love the deeper the grief."

When we give our hearts away this is a truth we seldom think about. As Gabriel Marcel said, "to love someone is to say thou shall not die." When we love and our love is deep, that very same love becomes the source of our grief when there is loss. Hence the remark from the young widow above, whose love was deep. And we can see this reflected in the gospel. Jesus grieves over the loss of his friend Lazarus and he grieves deeply. It is because Jesus loves Lazarus that he grieves, just as much as Mary and Martha's grief is the result of their love for their brother.

But if Jesus loves Mary, Martha and Lazarus so much, why did he wait until Lazarus' death until he went to Bethany. Jesus' tears make Mary and Martha's question even more poignant. It is as if they are saying to Jesus: "you love us and you loved Lazarus then why did you not come and cure him before he died." This is the very same question we ask when someone close to us dies: God, why have you forsaken me?"

But you see, not only life, but even death are given within God's gentle love. They are like flowers pushing up from the earth. The ground from which they push is God's kind and deep care. Even life gets its being from God's love. Even death gets its life from God's love. The beauty is that this very same love, which is the cause of so much grief, can also be the source of our consolation. How so? We must trust our love and be willing to follow it to its source. This love, though appearing initially as a refusal to let go, is really at heart showing something of God's love for us. Jesus' love for Lazarus is so strong that he goes after Lazarus in order to free him from the imprisonment of death.

As we reflect on God's love as expressed through Jesus, we can see too that God's love is something that goes beyond physical death. And when we can begin to understand this, we can begin to see that this very same love that causes us grief can also become the source of our consolation. Love is stronger than death. We always think of love as what we have because we have life. But the opposite is true. Life is something we can have only because we are rooted in love. Death does not erase love; it brings us more deeply back into it; the place we came from; that rich soil of love. Unfortunately, this is often not an easy thing to grasp. Deacon John



### PASSION SUNDAY

#### GOSPEL – MATTHEW 27:11-54

Jesus stood before the governor, Pontius Pilate, who questioned him, “Are you the king of the Jews?” Jesus said, “You say so.” And when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he made no answer. Then Pilate said to him, “Do you not hear how many things they are testifying against you?” But he did not answer him one word, so that the governor was greatly amazed.

Now on the occasion of the feast the governor was accustomed to release to the crowd one prisoner whom they wished. And at that time they had a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. So when they had assembled, Pilate said to them, “Which one do you want me to release to you, Barabbas, or Jesus called Christ?” For he knew that it was out of envy that they had handed him over. While he was still seated on the bench, his wife sent him a message, “Have nothing to do with that righteous man. I suffered much in a dream today because of him.” The chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas but to destroy Jesus. The governor said to them in reply, “Which of the two do you want me to release to you?” They answered, “Barabbas!” Pilate said to them, “Then what shall I do with Jesus called Christ?” They all said, “Let him be crucified!” But he said, “Why? What evil has he done?” They only shouted the louder, “Let him be crucified!”

When Pilate saw that he was not succeeding at all, but that a riot was

breaking out instead, he took water and washed his hands in the sight of the crowd, saying, “I am innocent of this man’s blood. Look to it yourselves.” And the whole people said in reply, “His blood be upon us and upon our children.” Then he released Barabbas to them, but after he had Jesus scourged, he handed him over to be crucified.

Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus inside the praetorium and gathered the whole cohort around him. They stripped off his clothes and threw a scarlet military cloak about him. Weaving a crown out of thorns, they placed it on his head, and a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him, they mocked him, saying, “Hail, King of the Jews!” They spat upon him and took the reed and kept striking him on the head. And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the cloak, dressed him in his own clothes, and led him off to crucify him. As they were going out, they met a Cyrenian named Simon; this man they pressed into service to carry his cross.

And when they came to a place called Golgotha—which means Place of the Skull—they gave Jesus wine to drink mixed with gall. But when he had tasted it, he refused to drink. After they had crucified him, they divided his garments by casting lots; then they sat down and kept watch over him there. And they placed over his head the written charge against him: Two revolutionaries were crucified with him one on his right and the other on his left. Those passing by reviled him, shaking their heads and saying, “You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself, if you are the Son of God, and come down from the cross!” Likewise the chief priests with the scribes and elders mocked him and said, “He saved others; he cannot save himself. So he is the king of Israel! Let him come down from the cross!”

Likewise the chief priests with the scribes and elders mocked him and said, “He saved others, he cannot save himself. So he is the king of Israel! Let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. He trusted in God; let him deliver him now if he wants him. For he said, ‘I am the Son of God.’” The revolutionaries who were crucified with him also kept abusing him in the same way.

From noon onward, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o’clock Jesus cried out in a loud voice, “Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?” which means, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” Some of the bystanders who heard it said, “This one is calling for Elijah.” Immediately one of them ran to get a sponge; he soaked it in wine, and putting it on a reed, gave it to him to drink. But the rest said, “Wait, let us see if Elijah comes to save him.” But Jesus cried out again in a loud voice, and gave up his spirit.

And behold, the veil of the sanctuary was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth quaked, rocks were split, tombs were opened, and the bodies of many saints who had fallen asleep were raised. And coming forth from their tombs after his resurrection, they entered the holy city and appeared to many. The centurion and the men with him who were keeping watch over Jesus feared greatly when they saw the earthquake and all that was happening, and they said, “Truly, this was the Son of God!”

Q. How do you respond to hearing or reading the Passion?

Q. Why might some people see the Cross as an odd symbol for Christianity?

Q. How does the story of Christ’s passion play out in our own lives?

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