

Resurrection Parish

April 8, 2018

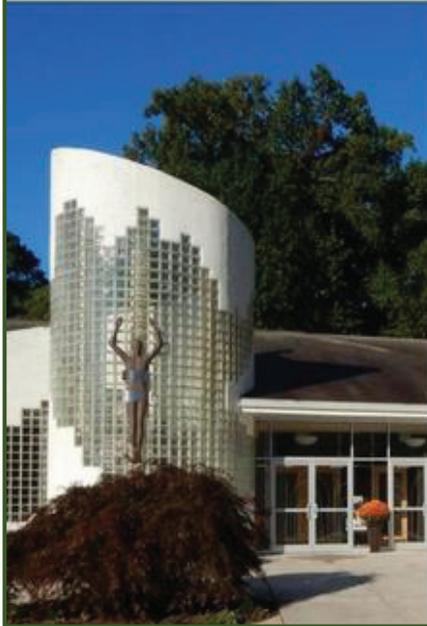
A Catholic Christian Community

2nd Sunday of Easter

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Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 5:30 p.m.
Sunday 8:15 and 10:30 a.m.
Mon. Wed. Fri. 8:30 a.m.
Tues. 7 p.m.



Rev. William Graney, Pastor

John Falkowski, Deacon
Fran Huhn, Retired Deacon
Ruth Sanders, Liturgy/Music
Nancy Maloney, Christian Formation
Elaine Little, Youth Ministry
Sandy Landoll, Social Concerns
Tina Donald, Bookkeeper
Debbie Seymour, Admin. Asst.
Parish Office: 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Mon. - Fri.
6:30-8:30 p.m. Mon. - Thurs.

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Pastoral Council

Al Mercatante	Executive Officer
Sharon Gidumal	Asst. Executive
Mike Mitchell	Secretary
Maritza Poza-Grise	Trustee
Dick Schwer	Trustee

Reconciliation

Tues. 6:30 p.m. Sat. 4:45 p.m.
or by appointment.

Baptisms

Please contact Deacon John.

Marriage

Contact clergy one year prior.

Pastoral Care of the Sick

For hospital and home visits
contact clergy or the office.

Becoming Catholic

Learn more by contacting
Fr. Bill or Deacon John.

Spirituality Outreach Stewardship

Paschal Season

The first eight days of Eastertime are known as the Easter Octave. Octave comes from the Latin for the number eight. The Octave is eight days from Easter Sunday to the Second Sunday of Easter. In the Octave each day is as if it were Easter again and again. Each day is a Solemnity. All through these Solemnities the Church tells the gospel stories of the resurrection.

But why the number eight? The eight or better yet the eighth day symbolizes the new creation. Remember in the original creation story of the Book of Genesis, God created the earth in seven days and on the eighth God rested. But after the fall of Adam and Eve we somehow lost that created goodness. But now in light of Christ's Paschal Mystery, his death and resurrection, created goodness has been restored. We now have a new relationship with God, made possible through the life, passion, death and resurrection of Christ.

This is our new life through Christ. In our baptism, we literally are baptized into the Paschal Mystery, the life, passion, death and resurrection of Jesus; we become another Christ. This is now our new life in and through Christ. It is for this reason that many baptismal fonts had an octagonal (eight-sided) shape, symbolizing this new creation and the new life in which we now share. Deacon John

A HUNGER FOR JUSTICE EVENT:

April 15, 2018 6:30-8:15 PM

This is truly an intergenerational event in which all parishioners are invited and all participants, regardless of age, will get to participate in the evening. We will meet in the Gathering Space to begin our program. Please RSVP to Elaine at elittle@resurrectionde.org on or before April 13, so we have enough supplies for the evening. Please join us as we learn more about hunger in the world and in our own community.

INTENTIONS

Monday	April 9	8:30am	
Tuesday	April 10	7:00pm	
Wednesday	April 11	8:30 am	+Ellen Carroll
Friday	April 12	8:30 am	
Saturday	April 13	5:30pm	Parish Community
Sunday	April 14	8:15 am	+Evelyn Cochran
		10:30am	+Joseph Paloni



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*** Richard McCracken, Eva Skripchuk, Linda Scarola, Bill Maloney, Burt & Carol Strasser, Kat Edwards, Ed Baum, Rachel Rose Boucher, Megan Morton Lawless, JD Howell, Jack & Jane Tabaka, Bill Dorsey, Joseph Hemphill, Alyssa Stover, Chet Andruskiewicz, Jim Gambort, Maryann Ciabattoni, Helen Meys, Candi Smith, Sean McCormick, Janice Kane, Ralph Culver, Kevin Rzucidlo, Mike Pohlen, Cass Thomas, Courtney Corridori, Patty Calhoun, Laurel Milano, Genita Vandell, Brian Duda, and others mentioned in our parish book of intentions.



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LITURGY

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention-April 2018

Universal – For those who have Responsibility in Economic Matters That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.

Welcome: Today at our 10:30 am Mass we welcome **Michael and Leslie Ferez and their child, Alexander Thomas**. Alexander will be baptized and welcomed into our faith community as its newest member. The Ferez family are friends of Fr. Corrigan, who baptized their first child here at Resurrection. We welcome Alexander and pray for him as he begins his new life in Christ.

Congratulations: Today at our 8:15 am mass, **Jamie Lee White** will finalize his initiation into the Church through the sacrament of Confirmation. Jamie was baptized in 1992 at Holy Family Parish. However, he was unable to make his confirmation as an adolescent. Now after further formation he desires to be confirmed. Jamie will be confirmed by Fr. Bill, who received permission from the Bishop for this purpose. Jamie is the grandson of Mike and Joan Rzucidlo. Mike will be his sponsor. We congratulate Jamie and pray for his continued growth in faith.

PARISH LIFE

New Parishioners: We welcome you! Please register with the parish. Registration forms are always available after Masses on the table by the main entrance or in the Parish Office. For more information, call (302) 368-0146 x0 or visit <http://resurrectionde.org/join-our-parish>

PARENTING SEMINAR-“Communicating with Your Child and Keeping Your Child Safe”

Join us Friday, April 13th at 6:30-8:00pm in the Gathering Space. Learn communication techniques to improve your relationship and get your message across to your child. Gain knowledge on how to keep your child safe in the real and virtual world. Our guest speaker is Denise Enger, Parenting Support and Education, Statewide Coordinator of Child, Inc. Ms. Enger has over twenty five years of experience working with children and families. **Registration is required.** Please contact Nancy Maloney at (302) 368-0146 Ext104 or nmaloney@resurrectionde.org. A light meal and childcare will be provided.

Join the Pastoral Council: 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 the weekend of April 7/8 and 14/15.

PARISH PICNIC!

Sunday, May 20th after the 10:30am Mass
Bring a friend!!!

You are all welcome to attend your Next Parish Council Meeting to be held on Sunday, April 8 at 6:30 p.m. in Room 4.

The next Contemplative Christianity evening will be Wednesday April 11 from 6:30-8:15 pm in the Gathering Space. Please join us.

2018 Annual Catholic Appeal



"Disciples of Christ, Witnesses of Faith"

The 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal will be conducted in parishes throughout the diocese next weekend. Once a year, our Bishop asks each of us to make a commitment to support the work of diocesan programs and ministries that provide services that no one parish can offer on its own. Your gift helps bring Christ to those who seek His presence - the poor, the sick, the distressed, our children and our elderly.

As parishioners of Resurrection Parish, we are proud to be part of the Church of Wilmington. As members of the diocese, it is important for each of us to serve others by sharing our resources. Just as we are one in the body of Christ, we are also one with other parishes and with our diocese.

Our parish target is \$68,000. Your financial support of the Appeal also provides funding for our parish since 100% of monies collected above our target will be returned for our own ministry needs.

Please give prayerful consideration to your resources and the needs of those served by the Appeal. Kindly decide ahead of time the contribution you wish to make this year and come to church next week prepared to complete your pledge to offer your support.

To learn more about the Annual Catholic Appeal, visit www.cdot.org; click "Giving" then "Annual Catholic Appeal".

CFP's Spring Community Service Project

We are making Comfort Bags for the foster care children of Children's Choice, during Spring Fling. Please help us by donating the following gently used items: teddy bears, coloring books, crayons, playing cards, small puzzles, blankets, toiletries, and draw string bags. We are collecting the donations in the green and blue totes outside the Youth Room. **Thank you for your continued support!**



Spring Car Wash: Sunday April 22

The youth will be washing cars during the Sunday 8:15 AM and 10:30 AM Masses on April 22.

Cost: donation to benefit the youth travelling to Brooklyn, NY this summer for a week of service.

As you pull in pick up a card for your dashboard and look for directions where to park your car. After parking your car bring your keys to the table. ONLY adults will move cars. After feeding your soul, you can drive home in a cleaner car. Thank you in advance for your support.

SOCIAL CONCERNS



Proceeds go to parish outreach programs.

You may deposit the following paper products in the Paper Retriever bin:

- office and school paper
- newspaper
- construction paper
- magazines and catalogs
- shredded paper (contained in plastic bags)
- discarded mail
- notebooks
- writing tablets

Items that should NOT be put into the bins include phone books, books, plastic, glass, metal, and trash.

Come and Celebrate! The 15th Anniversary of our Diocesan Global Solidarity Partnership with the Diocese of San Marcos Guatemala

Sunday, April 22, 2018 Schaefer's Canal House,
Chesapeake City, MD Mass: 3:00pm
Dinner and Entertainment: 4:00 - 7:00 pm

Tickets: \$35.00 per person *pre purchase only*
Contact Joan McConnell 302-333-4227
mcconnell.joanm@gmail.com

ELEMENTARY CHRISTIAN FORMATION



Welcome! K-5 Christian Formation Program (CFP) will meet on 4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, and 5/20 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 Maloney, CFP Coordinator, at nmaloney@resurrectionde.org

First Holy Communion Events

Sunday, April 22nd, 12:00-1:30pm “Banner Sunday”

Friday, April 27th, 6:30-7:30pm First Communion Rehearsal (parent must attend)

Sunday, April 29th, 10:30am Mass First Holy Communion

CFP’s Spring Fling- Friday, April 20th

Come join the fun at CFP’s Spring Fling on Friday, April 20th from 5:30pm-8:00pm. Kids, bring your helmets, scooters, bikes, and ride on toy. If you have any outside games, please bring it too. Please RSVP by April 18th to Nancy Maloney at (302) 368-0146 ext. 104 or nmaloney@resurrectionde.org

CFP: YOUTH MINISTRY



Middle and High School Youth Group

A HUNGER FOR JUSTICE INTERGENERATIONAL EVENT:
April 15, 2018 6:30-8:15 PM

This is a scheduled youth group class, so all youth are expected to attend. All youth, **and their families** are invited. Bring a friend!

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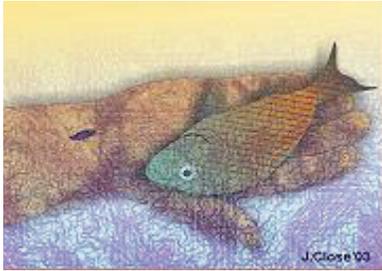
Confirmation Class: Our next Class will be on April 22 12:00-2:30PM

TAKING IT HOME

Our gospel this weekend states John’s purpose for writing it: “that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life.” John, you see, clearly believes that our encounter with this written word will bring us into direct contact with Jesus, the resurrected Jesus; the one who is our life and salvation; the one who is the visible presence of the invisible God. This is Jesus who not only lived, but who was also raised up and is truly alive in the written words of the gospel. For these words are written in such a way that they pull us into the mystery; not just the mystery of the life of Jesus, but also the mystery of his Spirit. They do this because matter, just like written words, is always the hiding place of Spirit. This is the meaning of Jesus the Christ, the one who was and is truly human and divine; the one who brings the material and spiritual together. And so our encounter, our indwelling, with the matter of this written word, will bring us into direct contact with Jesus, the Jesus of body and Spirit.

Thomas, the center of this weekend’s gospel, is a person much like you and me, a person stuck on the physical notion of reality. This is the only reality Thomas seems to know. So when his friend Jesus, whom Thomas loves deeply, dies, Thomas is of course visibly upset. Thomas is upset because for him the physical presence of Jesus is the only presence that he can accept, and now that this physical presence has gone, Thomas no longer has any reason to “see and believe.”

Thomas, you see, believes only in the hopes and promises that the physical Jesus proclaimed, but now with the death of Jesus, those hopes and promises have vanished as well. And so because Thomas cannot see beyond the physical presence of Jesus, he is deeply hurt and he refuses to allow the others disciples to play on his emotions with their claim that Jesus has risen and has appeared to them. And doesn’t this sound familiar; how often do we respond in the same way Thomas does when someone we love dies? Why God did you allow this to happen? Our faith is shaken because the God we wanted to believe in has failed us. We refuse to believe any more that God has the power to make new life where there is physical death. Fortunately, Thomas does come to see Jesus in a new way, a transformed Jesus, the resurrected Jesus, the Jesus of Spirit, the Jesus who lives beyond death. And this is the new reality by which Thomas is able to proclaim our great Easter faith, “My Lord and My God.” Deacon John



3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER GOSPEL -- LUKE 24:35-48

The two disciples recounted what had taken place on the way, and how Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of bread. While they were still speaking about this, he stood in their midst and said to them, “Peace be with you.” But they were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost.

Then he said to them, “Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have.”

And as he said this, he showed them his hands and his feet.

While they were still incredulous for joy and were amazed, he asked them, “Have you anything here to eat?”

They gave him a piece of baked fish; he took it and ate it in front of them. He said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled.”

Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And he said to them, “Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.”

Gospel Reflection: This passage from the gospel of Luke immediately follows the magnificent story of the road to Emmaus and the risen Jesus’ appearance to two disciples. Rather than hearing that story we have this account that follows; an account that is very similar to the passage of last week in which Jesus appeared to the gathered disciples and dispelled the doubts of Thomas. This week’s reading is almost identical except that it does not place the blame of doubt on just one single disciple. Why select this reading as opposed to the Emmaus story? Perhaps the decision focused on the fact that this passage shows the risen Jesus appearing to all of the disciples and not just two.

However, what this account gives us that last week’s account from the gospel of John did not, is a powerful message about understanding scripture. In the final verses of the passage, Jesus reveals to the disciples that his presence with them is what he’d been talking about when he’d spoken about the fulfillment of the scriptures. And then, “He opened their minds to understand the scriptures.” This is an important gospel indication that the scriptures are to be read for understanding and for meaning. It is an imperative that we delve into the scriptures and look for meaning rather than a surface, literal interpretation that is prominent in much of society today. When we only read the scriptures “literally,” we deny the depth and breadth of the scriptural messages that are conveyed through image, metaphor, irony, and other forms of figurative speech as well as ignoring the rich contextual information that is often hidden within and behind the text. Jesus’ enlightenment of the disciples makes plain the importance of “understanding” scripture not just blindly accepting it.

Post-resurrection accounts: All four gospels include post-resurrection appearances of the risen Jesus. The gospel of Mark—historically, the first written—gives the briefest account of the resurrection discovery and it is only in a later addition to the gospel that a post-resurrection account appears. However, by the time the gospel of John was written, some 20-30 years later, the theological importance of the resurrection had gained more significance as it became more obvious that Jesus’ return to the world was not going to happen within the foreseeable future. The gospel of John devotes two whole chapters to the post-resurrection appearances of Jesus.

Is ‘Literal’ wrong? Is there really something intrinsically wrong about a literal interpretation of scripture? Not at all! It is indeed an essential tool of any scriptural interpretation. It is of course important that we first and foremost understand the text as it is written—we have to have a literal understanding of the words that are used and what they mean. The problem arises when this is as far as we go. If we stop at this stage then we are shutting ourselves off from the richness of the scriptures and denying ourselves the opportunity of scrutinizing our lives in the light of the scripture.

Peace be with you: Jesus’ appearance among the disciples obviously agitated them. They were already hiding, in fear of their lives and devastated by the loss of their leader days earlier. Jesus’ calming and reassuring words, “Peace be with you!” demonstrate that Jesus is meeting the disciples “where they are”—he recognizes their distress and fear and responds with words that accept what they’re feeling but reassure them of his love and care. These are words that Jesus speaks to us too!

Q. What elements of this passage do you find surprising, challenging, or comforting?
Q. What message do you take from Jesus’ words, “Peace be with you!”?
Q. Why do you think the gospel writer emphasizes the “physical” nature of Jesus’ resurrection?

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