

# Resurrection Parish

A Catholic Christian Community

July 28, 2019

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## 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.

## Reconciliation

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

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Fr. Frank Herron

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Parish Office: 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Mon. - Fri.  
6:00-8:30 p.m. Mon. - Thurs.

## Pastoral Council

Al Mercatante	Executive Officer
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## 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

## RESURRECTION PARISH 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY



Please join the **Resurrection Parish 50 Year Celebration Team**  
in the Bishop's 5K on Saturday Aug 24 at Glasgow State Park.  
Race will begin at 9 am. Registration opens at 8 am.

Cost is \$25 (plus a small registration fee) and anything else you'd like to donate.  
Proceeds to benefit Catholic Charities.

*Visit the parish website to register.*

Or register here: <https://runsignup.com/RaceGroups/35468/Groups/637614>

Runners and Walkers will get a T shirt....And, if you register as part of the Resurrection team, you will also get a **Resurrection bandana** to wear to show your support and solidarity with the Resurrection team!

Please contact Sharon Gidumal at [sharongidumal@gmail.com](mailto:sharongidumal@gmail.com) for questions.

**Come! Renew! Connect! Celebrate!**

## INTENTIONS

Monday	July 29	8:30 am	+Lucille Duszak
Tuesday	July 30	7:00 pm	
Wednesday	July 31	8:30 am	+Luis Maisonet
Friday	Aug. 2	8:30 am	
Saturday	Aug. 3	5:30 pm	+Peg Coen
Sunday	Aug. 4	8:15 am	+Deceased Members of the Ferrelli Family
		10:30am	+Parish Community



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. *Lord, allow your healing hand to assist* Eva Skripchuk, Burt Strasser, JD

Howell, Jack & Jane Tabaka, Bill Dorsey, Joseph Hemphill, Alyssa Stover, Chet Andruskiewicz, Jim Gambort, Helen Meys, Candi Smith, Sean McCormick, Janice Kane, Ralph Culver, Kevin Rzucidlo, Mike Pohlen, Cass Thomas, Patty Calhoun, Laurel Milano, Katie Fink, Beth Bell, Julie Edmiston, Pete DeAscanis, Anna Catriew, Shannon Wilson, Annabelle Capritta, Patricia Barber, Joey (Morton) Scruggs, Steven Huhn, Ed Donaldson, Frank Maguire, Kathie Wisniweski and others mentioned in our parish book of intentions.

## LITURGY

**Be the FACE OF CHRIST:** Whenever Bishop Malooly is here, he reminds us to be the face of Christ. One very important way to do that for our assembly is to serve in the

### Ministry of Usher

Throughout our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year we hope to build this ministry of hospitality and community! Ushers help everyone feel welcome and able to participate fully, especially for gathering and communion! It is so important to have a good number of people serving as Ushers. It's not complicated or time consuming and we'll be sure you receive instructions as we prepare. Will you answer the call? Please contact Ruth Sanders, [rsanders@resurrectionde.org](mailto:rsanders@resurrectionde.org), 368-0146 Ext 106. Thank you for all your help!

## PARISH LIFE



*Please know that you are always welcome here.  
Ring the bell and come in.  
Your visit brightens our day.*

## SECURITY UPDATE: CHURCH ENTRANCE

- The Main Doors are locked during normal business hours. This allows staff to monitor access to the building.
- Visitors wishing to enter the building during normal business hours should ring the bell located on the side wall to the right of the Main Doors.
- When the button is pressed, all office and meeting room phones will ring. Any person in the office may pick up their phone and talk with whoever is at the door.
- The visitor will identify themselves and the reason for their visit.
- The staff member will press a button on the phone to allow entrance. This briefly remotely unlocks the right door closest to the buzzer and allows entry. So, pull the door as usual for entry.

Thank you to Ed Baum for his time and expertise to install the electric relays for the door.

## SCAM ALERT

**BE CAREFUL! In a number of parishes some parishioners have received emails, texts or phone calls saying they need to buy gift cards to help their pastor. DO NOT BE TAKEN BY THIS SCAM! Do not respond to them but please call the parish office to let us know how you have received such a message.**

ALSO please see the Delaware State Police Scam Alert Advisories in the Gathering Space.

**Ice Cream Sundaes:** It is a gift to belong to a community who values time well spent together with one another. **Thank you** to all who took the time to enjoy the company of fellow parishioners and ice cream sundaes as we continue to celebrate Resurrection's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.



**Resurrection Gardeners invite you to continue the celebration at a Garden Party after Masses the weekend of August 17/18. See you in the garden.**

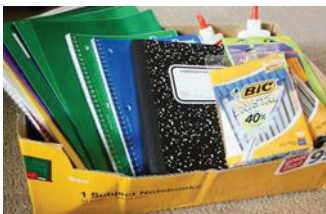
### Gardening Education

Carrie Murphy, University of Delaware Extension Educator for Horticulture and Ag Program leader will be visiting the Resurrection Garden at 6 p.m. on Wednesday July 31<sup>st</sup> to evaluate our garden, offer suggestion and answer questions. The Resurrection Gardeners invite all interested parishioners and their gardening friends to join us in the Resurrection Garden at 6p.m. on Wednesday

### Faith Environment/Safe Environment

Did you know that in the fall of 2006 the Diocese began full implementation of "Keeping Our Promises", a safe environment curriculum for pre-k thru grade 12? It is based on the elements of a safe environment such as keeping secrets, bullying, harassment, healing, life as a gift from God and others. Each is developed in an age appropriate less and is integrated into the normal teaching activities in both Catholic Schools and Religious Education Programs. For more information go to [www.cdow.org](http://www.cdow.org) and click on For the Sake of God's Children.

### CFP's Summer Community Service Project Adopt a Student



*Adopt a Student* is a division of the *Adopt a Family* state service center. **The program benefits low income families in need of school supplies.** Please consider donating to this

worthwhile cause. There are four blue totes outside the Youth Room for the collection of school supplies. Also, **we are collecting donations** in the Gathering Space outside the Chapel.

## CFP) CHRISTIAN FORMATION PROGRAM



**Our K to 5 Elementary Program will meet 9/8/19, 9/15/19, 9/22/19, and 9/29/19 from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. See you there!**

**Would you like more information?**

Contact Nancy Maloney, CFP Coordinator, at [nmaloney@resurrectionde.org](mailto:nmaloney@resurrectionde.org) or 368-0146 ext. 104.

**Registration Forms and Calendars for our 2019-2020 Christian Formation Programs have been emailed and mailed.**

Registration Materials are also available on our website.

### YOUTH MINISTRY

Registration for middle and high school youth group and Confirmation has begun. If you did not receive a registration packet in the mail contact Elaine at [elittle@resurrectionde.org](mailto:elittle@resurrectionde.org) or 368-0146 ext. 107.

### SOCIAL JUSTICE

#### **MISSION APPEAL FOR BENEDICTINE SISTERS OF ST. AGNES. TANZANIA.**

Sunday August 3-4 Sister Gloriosa Komba, will speak at all Masses here at Resurrection Church on behalf of the Benedictine Sisters from Chipole, Tanzania. We welcome her as she makes this year's Mission Appeal. Sister Gloriosa is a member of the Benedictine Sister of St. Agnes from Chipole in Tanzanian. They are a community of over 500 Sisters who serve in a wide variety of ministries and pastoral work in more than 10 dioceses in Tanzania. These include health care, including free medical care for the needy and schools from K- 12, technical training institutions and religious education programs. Please be prepared to generously assist this Community of dedicated Sisters who represent the face of Christ to those in most need.



It's that time again when Resurrection will team up with Ebenezer to help minister to families from Family Promise who are experiencing homelessness. Up to 14 individuals (children and adults) will be staying overnight at Ebenezer UMC each night for a week beginning Sunday, August 11, and leaving the following Sunday morning.

Resurrection Parish will be providing a Cookout on Sunday evening, August 11 and a Sub Night on Wednesday, August 14. We will also be providing many of the to-go items for the families for their breakfasts and lunches during that week.

If you are able to help out in any way, please visit <https://resurrectionde.org/volunteer> which will get you to the Sign-Up Genius.

Items can be left in the Resurrection kitchen with the exception of items noted for both dinners.

Anyone donating money to purchase subs can contact me directly for pickup if you'd like.

Deb Buckels [dbuckels@verizon.net](mailto:dbuckels@verizon.net)

### TAKING IT HOME

Two of the consistent themes of Luke's gospel are the call to become a disciple and the need to pray always. However, these two themes are not isolated ideas. Both are intimately connected. For Luke, the whole gospel is a call to follow Christ; to become a disciple with Jesus on the road to Jerusalem (Jerusalem of course is a metaphor for our life-journey with Christ). But this journey will not be a short trip. It is intended to be for the long haul of life. So being a disciple means staying the course and not losing heart. But how do we not lose heart when the journey is so long and when it can be troubling and difficult? This is why prayer must become a part of our journey.

Jesus was often at prayer in Luke's gospel. Why? Because it was prayer that kept Jesus grounded; prayer enabled Jesus to be centered on God and in turn, centered on his mission. Prayer was the way Jesus was in touch with the source of his energy, the love of God. It was not the will of Jesus, but the will of God that motivated him and his actions. And as Jesus was a



person of prayer, so too should we be if we wish to be disciples of Jesus. But even more than that, we need to be persistent and constant in our prayer because prayer is the thing that will help us not to lose heart as we journey toward Jerusalem. It is no coincidence then that we are introduced this weekend to Luke's concept of prayer. First, Luke invites us to pray as Jesus taught his disciples to pray – Luke's version of the Our Father. Secondly, Jesus gives examples of how we should pray; we should be persistent in our prayer, constantly asking and seeking.

Unfortunately, both of these ways of praying, a rote prayer and the constancy of asking and seeking, can be frustrating. On the one hand the "Our Father" has become such a familiar prayer that it has become rote, we say it without thinking thereby, losing its meaning for most of us. On the other hand, the need to be constantly asking and seeking in our prayer tends to exasperate us because our prayer seldom seems to be answered or even heard. So it is hard to use prayer as a way to keep from losing heart when prayer itself is found wanting. But prayer is a little more complex than this. Prayer is not mere mouth material, but the inner being of the human person in communion with God. It is neither the reciting of formulaic ritual prayer nor the "gimmie" prayer we use with God to get what we want, even though Jesus said ask, seek and knock.

Prayer is instead our way of plummeting the height and depth of the mysterious relationship God wants to have with us. And in this case, prayer is not so much for God as it is for us. When we stay in contact with this mysterious relationship through our constant and persistent prayer, we can come to understand the nature of God and the ways God actually speaks to us in the ordinary and not so ordinary events of our lives. Prayer is about a dynamic engagement with the living God. Such an engagement asks that we take our faith to heart, that we make it deeply our own, so that it becomes a part of the fabric of daily life.

Personal prayer, in its many forms, is how we engage in an intimate way with God. Prayer is the language of our love relationship with God. Mystic, Julian of Norwich, some centuries ago, grasped this truth firmly when in one of her "showings" she records the following: "God showed me a sight of his familiar love...God showed me something small, no bigger than a hazelnut, lying in the palm of my hand...I thought, what can this be?...And I was given this general answer: It is everything which is made...In this little thing I saw three properties. The first is that God made it, the second is that God loves it, the third is that God preserves it." This is how in our personal prayer God can give us deep insights in such simple ways.



### 18<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME GOSPEL – LUKE 12: 13-21

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, “Teacher, tell my brother to share the inheritance with me.” He replied to him, “Friend, who appointed me as your judge and arbitrator?” Then he said to the crowd, “Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one’s life does not consist of possessions.” Then he told them a parable. “There was a rich man whose land produced a bountiful harvest. He asked himself, ‘What shall I do, for I do not have space to store my harvest?’ And he said, ‘this is what I shall do: I shall tear down my barns and build larger ones. There I shall store all my grain and other goods and I shall say to myself, ‘Now as for you, you have so many good things stored up for many years, rest, eat, drink, be merry!’” But God said to him, ‘You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you; and the things you have prepared, to whom will they belong?’ Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God.”

**Gospel Reflection:** One of the themes running through the gospels is that wealth can be an obstacle to entering fully into relationship with God. It is not wealth in itself that is problematic but rather valuing material riches above everything else and the constant desire to accumulate more and more. We have the story of the rich young man who asks Jesus what he must do to inherit the kingdom and Jesus tells him to sell everything he has and give away the proceeds. The young man goes away sad because he thought that with his great accumulation of wealth he’d be able to buy anything that he needed to gain the kingdom. We also have the saying of Jesus that it is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than a rich man to enter the kingdom of God. The parable in today’s gospel depicts a man who has so much grain that he decides to build bigger barns to store it all. The parable follows Jesus’ teaching that “a man’s life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs.” The point is about having more than we need. What good is served by one person having more than they need while others do not have enough to meet their needs? The rich man who had the abundant harvest could have stored up all that he needed and still been able to share the abundance with others. Liberation theology introduced the catch phrase, “live simply so that others may simply live”. The call was for those in wealthier countries to simplify their wasteful and indulgent lifestyles so that others may be able to meet their most basic of needs.

**Do not worry:** This parable and teaching about the love of wealth is followed up by Jesus telling his disciples not to worry about what they will eat and what they will wear. He invites them to look to the birds of the air and flowers of the fields. God provides them with all that they need. Jesus tells his disciples to seek the kingdom, and all the other necessities of life will be given to them as well. Rather than focusing on accumulating wealth as the rich man in today’s parable, Jesus reassures his disciples that if they focus their lives on the kingdom they will have all that they need.

**Greed is good!** In the 1987 movie, *Wall Street*, the corporate raider, Gordon Gekko, famously declares: “Greed is good! Greed is right! Greed works! ... Greed—for life, for money, for love, knowledge—has marked the upward surge of mankind!” Whilst the depiction was intended to parody and critique corporate behavior of the 1980s, in many ways it came to define it instead. In the intervening decades, little has changed. The pursuit of more and more wealth and the ludicrous sums paid to corporate CEOs are exactly the imagery Jesus would use today for his parable.

**This hoard of yours...** Our modern society is particularly dominated by a mindset of accumulating more than we might ever need. The saying “Whoever has the most toys, wins” holds more than just a shred of truth for many people. Our consumerist lifestyle nurtures the desire to accumulate more and more “stuff”. Every time we turn on the television there is a new “must have” gadget. We talk about built-in obsolescence of manufactured goods and every new technological device makes older models redundant so that we feel we constantly have to upgrade. How would we answer God’s question, “so this hoard of yours, whose will it be then?”

- Q. In what way is the parable an answer to the man’s question about the dispute with his brother?
- Q. What experience do you have of people hoarding their wealth and sharing their abundance?
- Q. What are the implications of this gospel for the way we share our personal gifts and talents?
- Q. How could your local community better strive to live out this gospel message?

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