

Resurrection Parish

A Catholic Christian Community

AUGUST 11, 2019

19th 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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Pastoral Council

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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

Mass for our celebration of the
Solemnity of the Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary
(a holy day of opportunity!)
will be at **6:30 pm on August 15.**



Mary's Assumption into heaven does not mean that she went "up" into heaven. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (966) quotes the Byzantine Liturgy: "in your Dormition you did not leave the world, but were joined to the source of Life." This is a powerful affirmation that body and spirit are an integrated whole. Mary's Assumption is an anticipation of our resurrection to fullness of life.

[© Jenny Close. Dr Jennifer Close has qualifications in Fine Arts and education. She gained PhD in Theology from Griffith University. She has extensive experience creating liturgical art, and teaching theology. Her particular interests are in Liturgy and Sacramental Theology.]

Come! Renew! Connect! Celebrate

INTENTIONS

Monday	Aug. 12	8:30 am	
Tuesday	Aug. 13	7:00 pm	
Wednesday	Aug. 14	8:30 am	
Thursday	Aug. 15	7:00 pm	Assumption Parish Community
Friday	Aug. 16	8:30 am	
Saturday	Aug. 17	5:30 pm	+Brandon Lafferty
Sunday	Aug. 18	8:15 am	+Bob Kolb
		10:30am	+Barbara Malinowski



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 Wisniewski, Ginnie Marzouca, and others mentioned in our parish book of intentions.

LITURGY

Pope Francis Prayer Intention – August 2019 Families, Schools of Human Growth

That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human growth."

On **August 24 and 25**, all Masses will include the **Blessing of Students** in the Concluding Rites. Bring your children, your teens, yourself and let the parish offer you prayer support as we all prepare for a new school year!

Break open the meaning of Scripture – for yourself, with your family, with your small group, or in a meeting -- from *LITURGY WITH STYLE AND GRACE* by Gabe Huck and Gerald Chinchar: “Here is a technique some small Christian communities use to break open the meaning of a scripture passage, especially a gospel pericope. Read the Sunday gospel before you go to Mass [see next week’s gospel on page 5 of this bulletin!] and ask yourself these questions as you read. This technique can be very helpful.

- a) Who is in the text? What are they doing? Why are they doing it?
- b) What is going on in the text?
- c) What does this text make me feel? Why?
- d) What bothers or annoys or makes me nervous in this story? Why?
- e) What in the text gives me hope?
- f) What “belief statements” come to me from this text?
- g) What lesson have I learned from this text?
- h) Is there a way to put this lesson into practice?”

PARISH LIFE

Thank you for the MCP for the Benedictine Sisters of St Agnes of Chipole, Tanzania.

Sincere thanks to all of you, Father, Staff and all parishioners of Resurrection Parish. What a joy it was for me to participate at Mass and speak at your parish these past weekends. And I was honored to do so on behalf of my Community the Benedictine Sisters of St Agnes. I wish to assure you that the Sisters will benefit greatly from your support and We will hold you all in our daily prayer as you are now among our benefactors. If you wish to know a bit more about our community here is our website:

<http://www.chipolebenedictines.org/>

Blessings,

Sr. Gloriosa Komba, OSB



DONUT MINISTRY is continued by generous help. During June and July, these parishioners served: Kathy Teloh, Joan Lloyd, Jason, Tina, Michael Prior, Joe and Deb Shekiro, Kim Corridori, Theresa, Tom, and Torie Moore. Thank all of you for serving. You helped to make Sunday mornings a time of fellowship.

Volunteers are encouraged to look at their calendars and plan to serve during this season. If you are interested please sign up on the online schedule <https://resurrectionde.org/volunteer> or contact Doug Keilman at 239-5554 or Ellen Pringle at 738-4872.

JOY WORK CAMP UPDATE/ KINDNESS ROCKS

The Middle School Youth group participated in 3 days of service learning this July. One of their afternoon activities included painting and hiding “Kindness Rocks.” You may find one hiding in and around the church property. Feel free to take it and leave it somewhere else to pass along the message that “**Kindness Rocks!**”

The Cathedral of Saint Peter in Wilmington DE is in need of our help. The weekend of August 17 & 18, a special collection for the maintenance and preservation of the Cathedral of Saint Peter will be taken up in all parishes in our diocese. Please be as generous as you can. For more information about the Cathedral, please visit the Cathedral’s website at www.cathedralofstpeter.com. For a video tour of the Cathedral, and a tour of the Cathedral’s 100 year-old pipe organ, visit the diocesan website at www.cdow.org/cathedral.

Together, we can help assure that our Cathedral will remain a place of beauty and prayer for generations to come.

(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 or 368-0146 ext. 104.

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

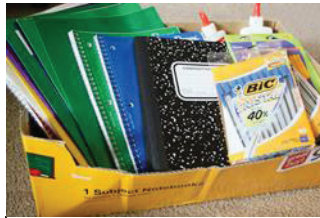
Registration Materials are also available on our website.

Onsite Registration for CFP, Sacramental Preparation, and Youth Ministry

Don’t wait till September! Register now and after the weekend Masses on the following date(s):

August 24th and August 25th

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. **Please bring your donations in by August 19th. Thank you for your support!**

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 or 368-0146 ext. 107.



YNIA 2020

An Information meeting for our Service Trip in the summer of 2020 is scheduled for Sunday August 25 following 10:30 Mass in the youth room. Rising 9th-12th graders and a parent/ guardian are encouraged to attend. We will choose our location at this meeting. Let your voice be heard!

FUN NIGHT! Friday September 13 5:00 - 10:00 p.m.

Middle and High School FUN NIGHT!

Please join us for our annual fun night on Come reconnect with old friends and meet new ones. A late dinner and ice cream sundaes will be provided. Bring completed youth ministry registration forms especially Form A. Wear close-toed shoes (no flip flops or sandals). Come ready to play outdoor games. Please RSVP to Elaine at elittle@resurrectionde.org

SOCIAL JUSTICE



Please join the [Resurrection Parish 50 Year Celebration Team 5K](#) in the Bishop's 5K on Saturday Aug 24 at Glasgow County Park. Race will begin at 9 am. Registration opens at 8 am.

Cost is \$25 (plus a small registration fee)
Proceeds to benefit Catholic Charities.

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!

Visit the parish website to register.
Or register here:

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

Please contact Sharon Gidumal at sharongidumal@gmail.com for questions

TAKING IT HOME

According to Fr. Ronald Rolheiser, “faith is not a question of basking in the certainty that there is a God and that God is taking care of us. Many of us are never granted this kind of assurance. Certitude is not the real substance of faith. Faith is a way of seeing things. It is meant to change our eyesight, to take the reality of our lives and all that is in them – everyday work, relationships, family, love, sex, hurt, longing, fidelity, failure, sin, suffering and death – and set these against the horizon of the eternal and the infinite.” (Against An Infinite Horizon, The Finger of God In Our Everyday Lives). In other words faith helps us to see the hand of God as an active agent in our world. Essentially, it helps us to see the kingdom of God as reality. And so faith is

as the author of Hebrews says today, “evidence of things not seen.” As evidence of things not seen, faith helps us to live the reality of God’s kingdom even though the naked eye sees that reality as incomplete. This is the reality that says, Jesus has washed away sins, given us new life and once again established right relationship between us, God and neighbor. The journey toward Biblical faith often feels like losing our vision and being given by grace a whole new set of eyes.

But to live with this kind of faith is not easy. Our experience tells us that it is hard to hold fast to what is unseen when what is seen is often harsh and ugly. All we have to do is look at our world with its violence, its hatred between brother and sister and the influence of power over the weak. So faith slips, confidence fails and conviction waivers. This tension between faith as vision of what is unseen and what we often experience as really seen is at the heart of today’s gospel. It is often described as the tension between the present time, which is the time when the kingdom has been revealed, but not in its fullness, and the future time, when God’s promised kingdom will come in its fullness. This tension is also felt when we acknowledge our flawed humanity, but trust that God’s presence still dwells in the midst of such tension. In many ways we grow through such necessary tensions.

In the gospel, Luke speaks directly of this tension when he tells us, “not to fear for it pleased God to give us the kingdom” (present time) only to then tell us that we need to be vigilant for the fullness of that treasure has not been revealed (future time). It is for this reason that we should be a vigilant people, expecting the future time when the Lord will return and the mystery of the kingdom will be complete. And just how do we remain vigilant? We remain vigilant by being a people of faith; faith in the God who though unseen, gives us Jesus as the visible presence of God’s unseen presence. And in Jesus God’s love and God’s faithfulness for us is revealed in the Paschal Mystery – his life, death and resurrection.

Jesus is as Pope Francis, says in Light of Faith “both the object of faith and the ultimate model and mediator for all believers,” because “Christ is not simply the one in whom we believe...he is also the one with whom we are united precisely in order to believe. Faith does not merely gaze at Jesus, but sees things as Jesus...sees...with his own eyes.” Faith takes place in communion with Jesus as God and with one another. Faith is God’s gift as Jesus is God’s gift and it is because of Jesus that we can trust; trust that God’s promises are real and trust that love is possible. Why? “Because God saw that it was good.” This tells us how God feels about us and the world, and it contains the implication that we should feel the same way about ourselves and the rest of the world: “good, very good!”

20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
GOSPEL – LUKE 12: 49 - 53

Jesus said to his disciples: “I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing! There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished! Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. From now on a household of five will be divided, three against two and two against three; a father will be divided against his son and a son against his father, a mother against her daughter and a daughter against her mother, a mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law.”

Gospel Reflection: This week’s short and sharp gospel brings to mind two popular sayings (sometimes regarded as blessings, and sometimes regarded as curses). The first is fictitiously ascribed as an ancient Chinese saying, “May you live in interesting times!” The inference of the blessing/curse is that “interesting times” equate to disturbing, tumultuous times or times of rapid change. Some people thrive on such change and upheaval, while others dread the thought of change. The second blessing/curse is, “May the peace of Christ disturb you!” It occasionally turns up around Christmas or Easter and is sometimes provocatively used by those who advocate for justice and peace. The saying cuts to the heart of what Jesus says in today’s gospel: the message he brings is not a cozy, complacent peace, but rather a message that confronts and challenges, even turning loved ones against each other. Jesus reminds us that if we take on his message of compassion, hospitality, and table fellowship then it can set us apart from those who have not accepted the message—even family members. It’s a challenging message that even love and loyalty within a family can be disrupted by seeking to authentically live the model of Jesus. If we authentically place the needs of the lowly and the outcast ahead of our own and ahead of our family, then this can be very confronting and very disrupting. What are the consequences for family gatherings? What might the gathering at Christmas dinner look like if we take this message seriously? Jesus says that the normal obligations to family have to take second place to acting on his message and bringing about the kingdom of God.

Speaking a hard message: Today’s gospel reminds us that the message of Christianity is not always a popular one. Sometimes we are called upon to speak a hard message; a challenging message; a confronting message. The message of the gospel frequently confronts our popular culture and accepted social practice. It often contradicts the expedient decisions of our political leaders. There is a responsibility on us to speak the hard message of the gospel even at the risk of unpopularity and even in the face of threat. The Christian heroes of our time are those who call leaders to measure up to the demands of the gospel.

Turning point: As we’ve seen over the last few weeks, chapter 12 of the gospel of Luke presents a collection of sayings by Jesus exhorting his followers to take up his message fearlessly and assuring them that if they do so then God will protect them—even in the hardest of times. The chapter captures what must have been a period of frustration for Jesus in his ministry: he has been preaching and performing miracles, yet his followers don’t seem to understand his purpose. The chapter has an urgency and a sharpness of tone that reflect the frustration of Jesus at this mid-point in the gospel.

Family Ties: In the ancient world, and particularly in Jewish culture, family meant everything. One’s identity was completely tied up with family. Families absolutely depended on one another for survival and for personal identity. Young men were identified by who their father was. Women quite literally “belonged” to their father or husband. The entire fabric of society and tradition was held together by extended families. For Jesus to say that his message would tear families apart was to say that all of society would be transformed by the message. The kingdom of God turns expectations and society on their head, breathing new life into tired, restrictive structures.

- Q. How might the message of Jesus bring about division?*
- Q. When have you experienced division or rejection as a result of the Christian message?*
- Q. Who do you know in your local community who speaks up for Christian values without counting the cost?*
- Q. What issue in your local community needs to be challenged on Christian principles?*

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