

Resurrection Parish

A Catholic Christian Community

AUGUST 18, 2019

20th 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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Parish Office: 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Mon. - Fri.
6:00-8:30 p.m. Mon. - Thurs.

Pastoral Council

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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

Father Edward Aigner of Cross Catholic Outreach will be visiting our parish the weekend of August 24/25 to speak at all Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries. Cross Catholic Outreach was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas into the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America. www.crosscatholic.org
There will not be a second collection.



Father Edward Aigner was ordained in May, 1972, after studies at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary (Philadelphia), St. Mary's College (KY), Indiana University, and St. Meinrad School of Theology (Indiana). He later studied at the Catholic University of Louvain in the Belgium Sabbatical Program.

He has served in parishes both in Delaware and on the Eastern Shore of Maryland and has been Chaplain at a major state prison for over 25 years. Over the years, Fr. Aigner served as a full-time high school chaplain and as Associate Vocation Director for the diocese. For 10 years, he directed the continuing education for the diocesan clergy and served for 4 years on the national board (NOCERCC). For 15 years, Father Aigner was an Adjunct Faculty for the Loyola Institute of Ministry Extension program. During his time as pastor in Salisbury, Fr. Aigner often traveled to Nicaragua to maintain a sister-parish relationship with our Lady of Mercy parish in Managua. He recently retired as pastor in Salisbury, MD.

With his extensive travel and study, along with his vast experiences, Fr. Aigner has gained a broad view of a diverse world. As a Cross Catholic Outreach Priest, he is bringing God's message of hope for all of God's people, especially the poorest of the poor.

INTENTIONS

Monday	Aug. 19	8:30 am	
Tuesday	Aug. 20	7:00 pm	
Wednesday	Aug. 21	8:30 am	+Ercole Faraone
Friday	Aug. 23	8:30 am	
Saturday	Aug. 24	5:30 pm	+Henry Jakucewicz
Sunday	Aug. 25	8:15 am	+Steve DeRicco
		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 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

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.

Autumn Grief Support Group Series

Jesus House Prayer and Renewal Center bereavement ministry will offer a new series of 8 sessions for grief support in a group sharing format. The meetings will be in the small dining room of the Malmgren Center at the Jesus House Prayer and Renewal Center **from 11:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. The dates are: September 6, 13, 20, 27, and October 4, 11, 18 and 25.**

Mrs. Frances Castello, M.Div., B.C.C./Ret. (National Association of Catholic Chaplains Board Certified, Retired Hospice Chaplain) and Mrs. Angela Malmgren, M.S. in Pastoral Care and Certified Spiritual Director, will co-facilitate the group process.

Participation is open to adults who are coping with the recent or long standing loss of a loved one. To register or to obtain more information, please call Frances Castello at (201) 669-0566 or (484) 732-8026 and/or Angela Malmgren at (302) 650-0066.

Resurrection Parish 50 Year Celebration Team 5K

Bishop's 5K on Saturday Aug 24
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

(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 Youth FUN NIGHT!

Please join us for our annual fun night. 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. Bring a friend! Please RSVP to Elaine at elittle@resurrectionde.org

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Our next Fair Trade sale is the weekend of August 31 / September 1 and the following weekend. Delivery will be the weekend of September 14/15. Thank you for your continued support for small farmers around the world.

TAKING IT HOME

We live in a world today where people believe that the goal of life is to “get it all together.” This means that we know what we want and are set on a path to achieve it. We have things totally in hand and are on our way to getting everything together. But can we really ever “get it all together?” This sounds great, but do we have enough control over our lives to think that life will always meet our expectations?

In contrast to this idea of “getting it all together” and thereby becoming “whole” and complete, Christian spiritual writer, Wilkie Au offers another perspective. It is a more Christian perspective on what wholeness means. “Viewing wholeness in a paradoxical way, Christian spirituality associates it with a wholehearted commitment to “always being on the way” rather than

having it all together.” Au points out that this sense of wholeness is not necessarily free of conflict and though we may ultimately achieve peace and harmony, it will not be without struggle and difficulty. This is because if we want to be faithful to the Christian search for wholeness, we must be prepared to face the ever continuing struggle of ongoing growth. This may require looking straight at some things that we’d rather not want to face or looking at things from a new point of view. As Au notes, “this belief, of course, is rooted in the central paradox of Christian faith: the Paschal Mystery that life comes through death, that one gains oneself by losing oneself.” (Urgings of the Heart: A Spirituality of Integration).

I believe that it is in this context of Christian wholeness that Jesus speaks words of conflict and division in the gospel. “I have come to set the earth on fire...Do you think that I have come to establish peace on earth? No I tell you, but rather division.” Jesus says this because he is a man on a mission, the mission to accomplish the will of God and so Jesus is on fire. This fire has a double purpose, first, to show his passion for the mission, even to the point of his willingness to die for what he believes. The second is to clear the way for the fire of the Spirit to purify and empower the people with the same baptism as Jesus’. This baptism points to a new way, a new perspective, and a new understanding for the life of the world. This new way is not the present way of the world. It is an alternative view of the way things are meant to be as opposed to the way we want them to be.

Jesus is challenging us to see things from a different perspective. Though the world tells us now that getting more things in life will help me get it all together; or that besting my neighbor will help me get it all together; or that looking perfect will help me get it all together; this is not the way of Jesus. Growth in the Christian perspective and way of life will inevitably lead to conflict; conflict with ourselves, with one another and with the world in which we live. But this struggle also has the potential to put us in touch with the heart of the gospel, which is Christian love. The kingdom indeed is a different place than the world, but Jesus knows that the human heart longs for something more than the world itself. This is exactly the reason why Jesus surrendered himself to his baptism, his going to his death, a death eventually leading to resurrection. Our baptism is also our acceptance of this Christian way of life. It is a life that will bring difficulties, failures and challenges, but it will eventually bring peace, the peace which comes from living and loving as Jesus, a peace that this world cannot give. Deacon John



21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME GOSPEL – LUKE 13:22-30

Jesus passed through towns and villages, teaching as he went and making his way to Jerusalem.

Someone asked him, “Lord, will only a few people be saved?”

He answered them, “Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough. After the master of the house has arisen and locked the door, then will you stand outside knocking and saying, ‘Lord, open the door for us.’ He will say to you in reply, ‘I do not know where you are from.’ And you will say, ‘We ate and drank in your company and you taught in our streets. Then he will say to you, ‘I do not know where you are from. Depart from me, all you evildoers!’

“And there will be wailing and grinding of teeth when you see Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God and you yourselves cast out. And people will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the kingdom of God.

“For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last.”

Gospel Reflection: This gospel passage picks up one of the major themes that runs throughout the gospel of Luke: the message of salvation is not reserved exclusively for the Jews, but is for all people; Jew and Gentile alike. A number of times in this gospel, the writer makes a point of having Jesus relate this controversial and fairly unpopular message to his audience. This passage makes clear that to gain salvation, you have to do more than just show up! Like those knocking on the locked door and claiming friendship, we can’t just turn up at the last minute and expect to be received. Salvation—entrance into the kingdom of God—belongs to those who accept the message of Jesus and act on it for the rest of their lives.

The gospel makes plain to the Jewish people of the time that unless they accept the message of Jesus and act upon it, they will get a terrible shock (“weeping and grinding of teeth”) at the coming of the kingdom. Those who believe in name only will find themselves looking in from the outside and will see the greatest prophets in the kingdom while they themselves are denied access. To further make the point, they are told that people from east and west, north and south will be welcomed into the feast of the kingdom. References to people from the four points of the compass always indicate people from other lands—non-Jews. Jesus tells his audience that people who are faithful to his message, even though they may be Gentile, will gain salvation before anyone who thinks they deserve it because of their birth or title. The kingdom must be earned through faithful effort, not by just turning up and claiming to be a believer.

A GOSPEL OF THE LEAST: The gospel of Luke portrays Jesus as focusing his ministry on those considered the least in society. In the Lukan version, the birth of Jesus is witnessed by lowly shepherds as opposed to the regal wise men of Matthew’s version. In the parable of the Good Samaritan, it is the Samaritan outsider who responds with compassion. The Lost (Prodigal) Son is welcomed back with great rejoicing. Zacchaeus, the resented tax collector, is treated with acceptance and makes a conversion of heart. All of these stories are unique to this gospel and paint a very particular picture of a compassionate Jesus.

FIRST AND LAST: “Yes, there are those now last who will be first, and those now first who will be last.” These words of Jesus carry with them a major thrust of his ministry in the gospel of Luke. Jesus reminds his audience that their status in society means nothing when it comes to their status in the kingdom of God. What will make people “first” in the kingdom is their acceptance of Jesus’ message, their faith and their compassionate actions toward others. Jesus’ insistence on the inherent value of the ‘last’ in society must have been a constant irritant to those who considered themselves ‘first.’

LIVE THE GOSPEL-CONSEQUENCES: To be Christian is more than a name; more than a title. If we put our hand up and claim the title of Christian, then there are consequences that flow from that. Those who are disillusioned by religion frequently name hypocrisy as the major reason for their disillusionment. Sometimes, that’s an easy out. We can’t all live like Jesus all of the time. However, we are called to take Jesus as our model of the Christian life and to use his example as a guiding beacon. To call ourselves Christian is to try to be Christ-like in all our actions.

Q. How can this gospel be reconciled with a notion that the kingdom is open to all?

Q. What is the message of the gospel for a modern audience?

Q. What are the observable actions of someone who is trying to live like Jesus taught?

Q. How would you answer someone who claimed that Christians say one thing and do another?




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