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10 days prior**

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.

August 21, 2016



21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE LORD'S DAY
Saturday Vigil 5:30 PM
Sunday 8:15 and 10:30 AM
and 5:30 PM

WEEKDAY MASS
Mon., Wed., Thu., 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.

How do you solve a problem like Maria?

Early on in the movie, *Sound of Music*, the community of religious women knew that Maria had good qualities but she was not a good fit for that convent community. As the world anticipates the formal canonization of Mother Teresa on Sept. 4, I recall that she was a member of a community of religious women when she discerned she was not a good fit for that community but wanted something more, something more focused on helping the poorest of the poor. We all know of her and that the group that she started, Missionaries of Charity, has spread around the world. I did have the privilege of Meeting Mother Teresa once at the talk she gave in St. Matthew's Cathedral in D.C.

One point that I make is that many saints were reformers. Looking back we can see the hand of God. But I imagine being in the midst of dealing with reformers that the hand of God is not so obvious. They may be seen as a problem like Maria. Or they are like a gadfly. St. Francis of Assisi is a famous example of radical reformer. A saint that I have done much reading on is Charles deFoucauld of www.resurrectionde.org

France and the Sahara desert. He was raised as a Catholic but early in his adult life he was finally converted. He said that once he believed in God, he knew he could nothing else but give his life totally to God. He tried the Trappists (a community of men religious in the Sahara) who are known for their austere life. But he went off on his own into the Sahara for an even more austere and prayerful life. Especially in the first half of his life, many, many, asked what they could do with a problem like Charles.

I recall the conversation in the Acts of the Apostles (5:39), the apostles are being judged by the council (also called the Sanhedrin). Gamaliel, respected by all, said: "if this plan [the mission of the Apostles] or undertaking is of human origin, it will fail; but if it is of God, you may not be able to overthrow them—in that case you may even be found fighting against God!" So, if Marias, or gadflies, or reformers come our way, we should be patient and discern. We may be dealing with another Mother Teresa.

We have all heard: "It is hard to live with a saint." But thank God for them. Fr. Bill Graney

INTENTIONS

Monday	Aug.22	8:30 am	
Tuesday	Aug. 23	7:00 pm	+Ann Strum
Wednesday	Aug. 24	8:30 am	
Thursday	Aug. 25	8:30 am	
Friday	Aug. 26	8:30 am	
Saturday	Aug. 27	5:30 pm	+Edna Rausenberger
Sunday	Aug. 28	8:15 am	
		10:30 am	+Marie Rachel Mangeniello
		5:30 pm	Parish Community

If you want a daytime Mass on Tuesday, please go to JESUS HOUSE. Mass is at 12:15 pm. A peaceful and serene location.



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* Lauren Wisniewski, Jim Nolan, Beverly Detwiler, John

Wisniewski, Tia Langan, JD Howell, Jack & Jane Tabaka, Joseph Hemphill, Renee Roder, Alyssa Stover, Chet Andruskiewicz, Jim Gambort, Maryann Ciabattoni, Ben Stam, Helen Meys, Candi Smith, Larry & Kat Edwards, Felicia Callahan, Sean McCormick, Janice Kane, Ralph Culver, James Barber, Margaret Brennan, Cass Thomas, Kevin Rzucidlo, Steve Zumsteg, Mike Pohlen, and others mentioned in our parish book of intentions.

LITURGY



Feast of Faith -- The Liturgy of the Word: The Liturgy of the Word on Sunday generally follows a consistent pattern of three readings and a psalm. The first reading usually comes from the Old Testament, and is followed by a psalm that is sung in response to the first reading. The second reading is always

taken from one of the New Testament epistles or the book of Revelation, and generally is not intentionally aligned with either the Gospel or the first reading. The third reading is always from the Gospels, and our

Sunday Lectionary is structured so as to allow us to hear as much of the Gospels as possible. The readings are arranged in a three-year cycle. In Year A, the Gospel readings are taken mainly from Matthew; in Year B, from Mark and John; and in Year C, from Luke. In this way, over the course of three years, we hear a substantial portion of all four Gospels.

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ALTAR SERVER MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP

Are you a young person or adult who wants to help out in a very important way during Mass? Please consider altar serving as YOUR thing to do. Agreeing to help comes with free training, free reserved seating at Mass, and a grateful community. Our servers are children, teens and adults! The youngest server is in fifth grade, the oldest well over 70! We'd love to have every age between. Please contact Ruth Sanders, rsanders@resurrectionde.org, 302-368-0146 Ext. 106.

Parent's Prayer When Children Are Leaving Home

Gracious God,
 You blessed me with the gift of this child and entrusted me with his/her care. Now he/she leaves this home and begins a new life apart from me. Surround him/her with good people, and watch over him/her each day. Let him/her know that I will always be near whenever he/she may need me. Heal any hurts we may harbor with one another, and forgive our failings as we learn to be in a new kind of relationship with each other. And when the sight of his/her empty room pierces my heart with sadness, may I find comfort in knowing that my child is your child too, filled with your grace and sheltered by your love. Amen."

(excerpt from *The Work of Your Hands: Prayers for Ordinary and Extraordinary Moments of Grace*, by Diana Macalintal, Liturgical Press, Collegeville, MN, www.litpress.org).

PARISH LIFE

Becoming Catholic: Currently there are two candidates for full reception into the Catholic Church. They are both baptized non-Catholics and are undergoing formation now. If there are others who are in similar situations and would like to join us please feel free to come. If you would like to join us, but cannot make the August 27 date please contact Deacon John at 302 368-0146 x 110 or email at jfalkowski@resurrectionde.org . Thank you.

Cathedral of Saint Peter Second Collection

The Cathedral of Saint Peter is celebrating its 200th anniversary this year. This beautiful and historic church is in need of our help. The weekend of **August 20 & 21**, 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, including a letter from Bishop Malooly, a message from the Cathedral's Administrator and a video tour of the Cathedral, go to www.cdow.org.

Relief Graphics by Henry Krysiak

My name is Henry Krysiak, a long-time member of Resurrection Parish. I've studied in the Art Department of the University of Delaware, but mainly am self-taught. Included in my work is the figure of Christ Rising at the entrance, along with the Resurrection lettering, and design of the stained glass windows in the chapel, created by Jon Barber. **I will have a slide show of my work featuring a sample of over 530 unique art works from my art career in Room 4 on October 16, 2016 at noon.** All are welcome. P.S. None of my work is for sale.



ELEMENTARY CHRISTIAN FORMATION



Registration for CFP/Youth Ministry is NOW. Forms are available in the Gathering Space, or download and print them here

<http://www.resurrectionde.org/cfp-registration-for-2016-2017>.

If you have questions, please call the Parish office at 302-368-0146, ext. 0, or email office@resurrectionde.org.

Sacramental Preparation for Children begins in October. Classes generally meet on Wednesday evenings and Sunday afternoons about 6 times a year. If you would like to register please contact the Parish Office.

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New this year! We are compiling a youth ministry (middle school and high school) directory. If you want to be included in this directory be sure you fill out the online form. <http://resurrectionde.org/cfp-registration-for-2016-2017> Scroll down to the bottom.

SUMMER SERVICE 2017

Information meeting Thursday, August 18 at 7 PM in the youth room for all high school students who would like to participate in the service trip NEXT summer!

Mark your calendars!

Sat. September 17, 2016 4:30 PM-11:00 PM

Middle School and High School FUN NIGHT!

SOCIAL CONCERNS



Wine to Water Dinner Dance

will be held in the Resurrection Gathering Space on Saturday, October 15, 2016 with special guest from the board of Water Access Now, Jan Kline. This event will benefit Water Access Now as we work to complete a third well in Ghana.

Family Promise: We had another successful hosting week supporting four homeless families from Family Promise during the week of July 24. THANK YOU to the 16 individuals from Resurrection who helped make this another memorable week! Thanks again for your generosity and your prayers as we showed God's love, mercy and support to the less fortunate of our area. Our next Family Promise hosting week will be November 13 thru 20. More details as we get closer to that date.

Give It Up For Gulu 5K and 1 Mile Doggie Dash: September 24th - Rockford Park, Wilmington - 9am Please join us in giving hope to the children in Gulu, Uganda! Fourth Annual 5K event benefitting St. Catherine of Siena Nursery School

Fun for all, competitors, families and friendly dogs too! Visit www.giveitupforgulu.com for more details

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

TAKING IT HOME: The gospel of Luke is for the most part an upbeat gospel. The message of inclusion and that salvation is available for all is heartwarming and welcoming. But there are moments in Luke's gospel that can be downright discouraging. Yes, Luke is positive, but also realistic. Luke lives in a time when the return of Christ was no longer thought of as something immediate. So for Luke faith is something that the disciple needs to persist in. It is not something we should take for granted or assume that we will always have. Instead, faith for the long haul needs to be lived and practiced with persistence otherwise we will lose it. I think some of this is at the heart of this weekend's gospel and the concept of the narrow gate.

In the gospel Jesus is on his journey to Jerusalem when someone approaches and asks a question: "Will only a few be saved?" Jesus responds by saying: "Strive to enter the narrow gate, for many I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough." At first blush, this talk of a narrow gate has led some to

conclude that, indeed, only a few will be saved. In fact, there has been a whole series of popular books, called the "Left Behind" series, written on this very subject. These books, written by evangelicals, Tim LaHaye and Jerry Jenkins, have as their premise the idea that only a select few will be saved (none of whom are Catholic by the way). The authors cleverly use gospel passages like today's and then proceed to misinterpret Paul's letters and the Book of Revelation to show how only a select few will be "raptured up" to heaven, while many others will be left behind.

But this is not the meaning Jesus intends by the narrow gate. Instead, what Jesus means is that, although salvation is available to everyone, much is asked of those who desire it. Yes, salvation is a gift freely made available to everyone, which Luke acknowledges and which our first reading from Isaiah confirms. "I come to gather the nations of every language; they shall come and see my glory."

Our Jewish ancestors looked upon themselves as a "Chosen People," however, their choosing was to be as a light to the nations not just a people set apart. And so in the same way our salvation, our gift of faith, must be individually appropriated and lived and practiced if we are to "strive to enter through the narrow gate." Faith is not something we take for granted or assume we simply have. We too are to be a light to the nations. Deacon John

VOCATIONS

Today's psalm response exhorts us to "go out to all the world and tell the Good News." While that is the vocation of every baptized person, God calls some to do it through the priesthood or religious life. For two thousand years, countless women and men have dedicated their lives as sisters, brothers, deacons and priests. Is God calling you to join them? Call or write Father Norm Carroll, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113, vocations@cdow.org). Be sure to visit our website: www.cdow.org/vocations!

The **Diocesan Vocations Guild** is open to Catholics from within or with ties to the Diocese of Wilmington. Members pray for an increase in priestly and religious vocations, the success of priestly and religious ministry in the diocese and participate in a variety of programs to promote and affirm vocations to the priesthood and religious life. To join the Diocesan Vocations Guild or for more information, contact Mary Ann Peirson at 302-573-3113 or mpeirson@cdow.org or visit cdow.org/dvg



**22ND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
GOSPEL – LUKE 14: 1, 7-14**

On a sabbath Jesus went to dine at the home of one of the leading Pharisees, and the people there were observing him carefully. He told a parable to those who had been invited, noticing how they were choosing the places of honor at the table. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not recline at table in the place of honor. A more distinguished guest than you may have been invited by him, and the host who invited both of you may approach you and say, 'Give your place to this man,' and then you would proceed with embarrassment to take the lowest place.

Rather, when you are invited, go and take the lowest place so that when the host comes to you he may say, 'My friend, move up to a higher position.' Then you will enjoy the esteem of your companions at the table. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted." Then he said to the host who invited him, "When you hold a lunch or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or your wealthy neighbors, in case they may invite you back and you have repayment. Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

In the gospel of Luke, Jesus is accused of eating with sinners and tax collectors (Lk 15) and we have an image of Jesus as always eating with the marginalized. However, this gospel account is a more common occurrence: Jesus eating with a leading Pharisee and people of social importance. Although Jesus is depicted as frequently dining in the houses of these well-to-do people, he was probably never invited a second time! As in today's account, Jesus made a habit of accepting the hospitality of such people and then giving them a lecture about how they should behave and reminding them who was not gathered around the table with them. Certainly the sort of actions that don't see too many follow-up invitations!

The message he dishes out to the Pharisees on this occasion is about not thinking you're more important than you really are. He tells them that it is far better to assume a lower status and to be lifted to greater prominence than it is to assume too much and have to be asked to step down to your proper status. In first century Jewish society, eating was as much a political act as it was a social one. Who you ate with was a reflection of your social and political position. To be invited to the head of the table would reflect very positively on a guest whilst being asked to assume a lower seat would be humiliating.

Jesus' final teaching in this account would have been outrageous to his audience. The thought of inviting to a meal people who were in no position to reciprocate was absolutely ridiculous. But Jesus encourages his audience to give to those who cannot repay—to be graciously generous just as God gives without expecting anything in return.

Hospitality: In the first century, hospitality carried with it certain rules and expectations. If you were the recipient of hospitality, there was an obligation on you to return hospitality if it were within your means.

Hospitality meant more than feeding people. It meant extending welcome to people even if you didn't know them. There was an obligation to extend welcome and hospitality to anyone who asked for it. Travelers knew that they could enter a village and ask for a meal and a bed and they would be provided. Jesus reinterpreted this obligation of hospitality and extended it to anyone in need.

Humility and Honor: Jesus' comments about taking the place of honor at a table are introduced as being a parable. Because it is identified as a parable, we know that there is a richer meaning below the surface. In talking about places at a feast, Jesus is referring to the kingdom of God. We know that Jesus has already identified that the lowly in this world will be in a place of honor in the kingdom. His message is that those who humble themselves in this world and give hospitality to the lowly will be lifted up—exalted—in the kingdom.

What's the cost? Jesus' message about humility is as relevant today as it was in the first century. It is part of human nature to want to fit in and to want to belong. Sometimes we are tempted to seek this acceptance at any cost. When our sense of belonging is achieved through the harming, humiliation, or exploitation of others then the price is too high. When our desire for the latest fashion comes at the expense of others being able to simply live, then the price is too high. When we lift ourselves up by putting others down, then the price is too high.

- Q. What role does status and position play in our world today?*
Q. With which role or figure in the parable do you most associate?
Q. When have you had the experience of being humbled or being "put in your place"?
O. In what ways do you humble or raise up—exalt—others?

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