

# RESURRECTION PARISH

January 15, 2017

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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.

**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.



The annual **Winter Arts Festival**, a fundraiser for the youth service trip this coming summer to Boston, will be held on **Saturday, January 21, 2017 at 7:00 PM.**

This is a coffeehouse-style event for the whole family. Check out the table in the gathering space to:

- Sign up an individual or a group to perform
- Donate a dessert
- Purchase a ticket

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Bidding on our silent auction baskets has begun. Check out the baskets in Room 4. Look at the insert inside the bulletin to see the businesses and organizations that have generously donated to our auction.

The following parishioners have donated items for the auction or made monetary donations at the time this bulletin went to print:

Linda Malm  
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**Tickets are only \$5 a person and \$20 per family.**

Your ticket includes entertainment, coffee, lemonade, ice tea and dessert.

Soda and chips and dinner items like chili and hot dogs, available for purchase.

If you have any questions contact Elaine Little at [elittle@resurrectionde.org](mailto:elittle@resurrectionde.org)

## INTENTIONS

Monday	Jan. 16	8:30 am	
Tuesday	Jan. 17	7:00 pm	+Joseph Facciolo
Wednesday	Jan. 18	8:30 am	+Constance Jones Chesley
Thursday	Jan. 19	-----	No Mass
Friday	Jan. 20	8:30 am	
Saturday	Jan. 21	5:30 pm	
Sunday	Jan. 22	8:15 am	+Mike Kolpak
		10:30 am	+Antonio "Tonino" Nigro
		5:30 pm	Parish Community

Parish **cancels daily Mass** on Thursdays Jan. 19, 26. We recommend attending a church closest to you.

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*  
 Lauren Wisniewski,  
 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, Kat Edwards, Sean McCormick, Janice Kane, Ralph Culver, Cass Thomas, Kyle Rzucidlo, Mike Pohlen, Carol Strasser, and others mentioned in our parish book of intentions.

## LITURGY



**Remembering** - When Jesus broke the bread on the night before he died, he told his disciples, "do this in memory of me" (Luke 22:19). Christians have been faithful to that solemn command. Our eucharistic remembering is not nostalgia, nor is it merely historical, recalling events and

facts of long ago. In the liturgy, remembering is

action. "Do this," Jesus said. In the Eucharist, we remember by doing. And as we remember, the sacrifice of Jesus is renewed, truly made present, no longer then, but now. After the consecration, each of the Eucharistic Prayers includes a section called the *anamnesis*, a Greek word that means "remembering." In this part of the prayer, "the Church, fulfilling the command that she received from Christ the Lord through the Apostles, celebrates the memorial of Christ, recalling especially his blessed Passion, glorious Resurrection and Ascension into heaven" (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 79e). We pause and call to mind the whole paschal mystery, Christ's dying and rising, "celebrating, therefore, the memorial of the Death and Resurrection of your Son" (*Eucharistic Prayer for Reconciliation II*). Obeying Christ's command, we remember.

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## PARISH LIFE

**This Tuesday, January 17 at 7 pm, in St. Catherine of Siena Church, a prayer service for justice, non-violence and human dignity will take place.** Join Fr. Bill Graney, Fr. John Hynes, and members of many other Churches in Wilmington and our suburban area to celebrate Christian Unity and the vision of Dr. Martin Luther King.



## Pray for Discernment

This is good for individuals as well as groups. In the book, *Great Catholic Parishes*: "Lay leadership is fundamental to the success of vibrant parishes. It came up as a topic in the vast majority of interviews because these parishes are sustained in part by competent, dedicated, and generous lay people. Sixty-seven percent of the pastors specially named their lay leaders as a major asset of their parishes and emphasized how integral they are to advancing their parishes' mission." The Pastoral Council is the established vehicle of lay leadership. Obviously, others in the parish provide various degrees of leadership. Please pray for discernment in what is best for the parish and our ability and effectiveness in bringing forth the Gospel of Jesus to others. Thank you for your most needed prayers. Bill Graney

**On Sunday, January 15, 2017 at our 10:30 a.m. Mass we will celebrate the Rite of Reception of Baptized Christians into Full Communion with the Catholic Church for three individuals.** The three candidates are Jason Prior, Kimberly Fell and David Haines.

**Jason Prior** is a baptized Presbyterian, whose father also happens to be a Presbyterian minister. Jason married Tina Serpe here at Resurrection in November of 2006 and they have been attending Resurrection ever since. Jason and Tina have a son Michael, who was baptized at Resurrection and who is currently attending CFP and is preparing to make first Eucharist this coming May. Jason has the blessing of his father and the desire to join his son in celebrating Eucharist.

**Kimberly Fell** has been coming to Resurrection since the spring of 2016. She is Methodist but both she and her friend, Greg Aluise, who is Catholic were looking for a faith community in which they could feel at home. They found Resurrection and ever since have been regulars at the 5:30 Sunday mass. Soon Kimberly contacted me about becoming Catholic. She was formed in her faith, but found in Resurrection a faith community she could love.

**David Haines** and his wife Jean have been Resurrection faithful for many years. They are regulars at the 8:15 Sunday mass. David is Presbyterian, but he is also part of a men's Catholic faith sharing group in Kennet Square where he lives. Many of his friends in this group have encouraged him to become Catholic, but he pushed back because of his family's Presbyterian heritage. Recently, he has come to see that the time is right for him to join his wife so that they can worship together and share the same faith.

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**You Can Help Your Marriage** –Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. The Retrouvaille Program is endorsed by the Diocese of Wilmington. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about or to register for the February 10-12, 2017 program, call 1-800-966-7981 or visit the web site at [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com)

**Tuesday, Jan 24, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm Day of Reflection, Living the Simple Life,** Bernadette DeAngelis challenges us to live more simply and deepen our relationship with the Spirit. Cost is \$40 which includes lunch.  
**Please visit our website ([jesushousecenter.org](http://jesushousecenter.org)) for more information or to register.**

**Donation Statements for 2016 are available in the Gathering Space. Please pick yours up today!**

## SOCIAL CONCERNS



**Food Pantry:** Thanks to your stocking the pantry with groceries, we are able to feed families. Our food bags go to folks of all ages - children, young adults, midlife, and elderly. Please hold all who are hungry in your prayers. And keep up the good work. Thank you.

**Fair Trade Sale: Our first sale in 2017 is this weekend.** Delivery will be the weekend of January 28/29. We are offering Fair Trade chocolate again for this sale. Thanks for supporting struggling farmers around the world.

## **ZINGO.**

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The cash register tapes for past six months total \$67,268.62 and Zingos will be sending a check to our outreach program for \$672.68. Our total received from Zingos this year is \$1,513.28. The past four years we have received \$1,500.00 each year from Zingos. We sincerely thank Zingos for having this program which helps Resurrection support those in need. To participate in this program please save your tapes from Zingos and put them in the ZINGO box on the table by the nursery.



**Welcome!**

**K-5 Christian Formation Program (CFP) meet from 9:15-10:15. Drop off begins at 9:10. See you there! 1/22, 29.**

Would you like more information about Christian Formation for Children (Religious Education or Sacramental Preparation)? Contact Nancy at 302-368-0146 ext. 104 or at [nmaloney@resurrectionde.org](mailto:nmaloney@resurrectionde.org).

**CFP: YOUTH MINISTRY**



**Middle School and High School Youth Group: Sunday, January 29, 2017 from 6:30-8:15**

**February Mini-Retreat for all middle and high school students  
Saturday Feb 11, 2017- 10:00 AM-2:30 PM  
Come nourish your creative side!**

**January 15 –No class due to the MLK holiday.**

**Confirmation class:  
Jan. 22, 2017  
12:00PM-2:30 PM**

Our incarnational season ended this past week and so we begin the time we call Ordinary. Of course Ordinary does not mean plain time, but counted time. Christmas ended on Monday of this past week with the celebration of the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord (usually this feast would be celebrated on a Sunday, but because of the length of time between January 1 and January 8, the Epiphany, the Baptism was celebrated on January 9). This Sunday then becomes the 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time.

Because we are in Cycle A of the liturgical cycle, the expectation is that we would proclaim a gospel from Matthew, but that is not the case. Every cycle for the 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time always features a gospel reading from John. And like the gospel some heard on Monday, it talks about the baptism of the Lord.

Interestingly, the gospel speaks about the baptism, but unlike the other gospels it never really describes the baptism. Reference is made about the baptism, but John never goes into detail. John simply has the Baptist testify that at the time of the baptism, the Spirit descended upon Jesus like a dove and it remained on him.

From the other gospels, we know that the baptism of Jesus is a significant event in the life of Jesus. It is the moment when God speaks directly about Jesus as God's Son and it is from this moment that Jesus discerns his call, goes into the desert to identify with the Son of God identification and then begins his public ministry. But if the baptism is so significant, why does John not describe it in detail?

The purpose of John's gospel is not to have Jesus understand who he is. In John's account Jesus is the Son of God, the word made flesh right from the very beginning of the gospel, who existed from the very beginning of creation. Instead the purpose of John's gospel is to reveal this identity to us and to give testimony to it so that we might be attracted to Jesus and become like him. John sees the theological truth of Jesus, witnesses to that truth and then invites others to share in this truth. John's purpose is for us to personally see and believe in Jesus so that we too might personally encounter Jesus, come to know him and come to believe that he is our Lord and Savior who is God incarnate. But coming to know Jesus is much more than having knowledge about Jesus. Knowing Jesus means a willingness to personally abide in and to engage Jesus so that we might enter into a personal relationship with the one who is the source of our very life and then live that life in our lives. So are we ready to take this step and to begin the journey to discipleship, to live and do in our lives what Jesus lived and did in his?

Deacon John



**3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
GOSPEL – MATTHEW 4:12-23**

*When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and went to live in Capernaum by the sea, in the region of Zebulun and Naphtali, that what had been said through Isaiah the prophet might be fulfilled: Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali, the way to the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles, the people who sit in darkness have seen a great light, on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death light has arisen.*

*From that time on, Jesus began to preach and say, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”*

*As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea; they were fishermen. He said to them, “Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.”*

*At once they left their nets and followed him.*

*He walked along from there and saw two other brothers, James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They were in a boat, with their father Zebedee, mending their nets. He called them, and immediately they left their boat and their father and followed him.*

*He went around all of Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and curing every disease and illness among the people.*

**Gospel Reflection**

In today’s gospel passage we see the importance that the gospel of Matthew gives to portraying Jesus as the fulfillment of scripture. Throughout this gospel, the author is at pains to demonstrate that Jesus fulfills prophecy. The purpose in doing this was not only to tie Jesus into the prophecies of the Messiah but to demonstrate that Jesus was part of God’s plan all along. This gospel was written at a time when there were growing tensions between early Christian communities and mainstream Jews. By highlighting the fulfillment of scripture, the author attempts to first reassure the Christian community in the face of aggression and resentment from the mainstream Jews and second, challenge those who oppose the Christian sect to see this movement as just another thread in the ancient story of their people.

Having established the credentials of Jesus, the gospel writer then provides a summary of the teaching that will be played out in the gospel, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.” Repent had a far more powerful meaning than what we tend to ascribe to it today. Much more than simply being sorry, repent carried with it a sense of turning one’s life around; making amends for past failures; and choosing a whole new direction for one’s life. Literally, it meant a “change of mind.” To demonstrate the urgency and strength of this teaching, Jesus calls his first four disciples who immediately drop what they are doing and set out on a new life with him. These disciples are the first of many to “repent” and turn their lives around.

**Repent:** Throughout the Old Testament, the people of Israel repeated a cycle of behavior. When their relationship with God was strong, they upheld the covenant and they prospered. They would forget that their prosperity lay in being in right relationship with one another and with God and so they would neglect those relationships. They would turn so far away that some tragedy or oppression would befall them. Out of their despair they would recognize their need for God and they would “repent” and re-establish their relationship with God. Jesus’ call to repent is a call to looking at the relationship with God in a whole new way.

**People in darkness:** The passage from Isaiah that is quoted in the gospel, speaks of the people who dwell in darkness. The passage is addressed to the Jewish tribes of Zebulun and Naphtali—two of the twelve tribes. These two tribes lived in the northernmost part of Palestine and their lands were surrounded by Gentiles. Any non-Jew was regarded as living in darkness because they did not have the light of “truth”, but these two tribes also dwelt in darkness because they were surrounded by it. Regardless, the passage asserts that all who dwell in darkness (Gentile and Jew alike) will receive a great light.

**The first called:** What must it have been like for those first four disciples Jesus called? The fact that they were fishing means that they had not been chosen to continue studying the Torah beyond childhood and had not been chosen by a rabbi to be his followers. Even as young men, these four were has-beens and had no hope of a rabbi asking them to be his disciples. Suddenly, Jesus appears and calls them to follow him. A life that had passed them by suddenly opened up before them! Of course they dropped everything and followed.

*Q. Why does the arrest of John the Baptist appear to be the catalyst for Jesus to begin his ministry?*

*Q. Why is Isaiah so frequently quoted in the gospels?*

*Q. What is significant about the first disciples leaving their livelihoods and leaving their family?*

*Q. Where in your life is there a need to “repent”—turn around; change your mind?*

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