# Church of the Resurrection

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Confirmation Retreat—Ironwood Springs Christian Ranch January 7th. Please continue to pray for our students as they prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation.



January 29th 2017, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



# Weekly Words from The Rock

In Chapter 13 of his book, <u>Simple Steps to</u> <u>a Virtuous Life</u>, Father Andrew Apostoli deals with the issue of gossip with a chapter entitled "I Heard It Through the Grapevine. Are We Guilty of Gossip?" I share the content of his chapter.

*Gossip* usually refers to the more common types of uncharitable speech. It is generally light talk or idle chatter and news-mongering about the affairs of others. It goes on with friends over a leisurely cup of coffee, or with neighbors over the back fence or with coworkers in the office. This is usually not malicious in nature, but rather a simple sharing of the latest newsy tidbits. However, it is still wrong if it offends our neighbor.

Gossiping can result in many of the bad effects of detraction, but usually not to the same degree of harm. If we really want to grow in holiness, however, we must work against this fault. What seems like harmless sharing often becomes exaggerated as the story goes from the lips of one person to the ears of another along the proverbial grapevine.

Let me share an example of how even a simple fact can be blown out of proportion as it travels from one person to another. When I was a young friar in college, I had an accident that injured my heel and required several stitches. I had to use crutches to keep my weight off my foot, and I had to elevate my foot whenever I sat down. The day after the accident, two busloads of parishioners from my home parish came to the seminary grounds for Mass and a picnic. My parents were unable to come, but many parishioners there knew my family and me. They saw me with my elevated foot as I sat at Mass, and they saw me walking with the crutches around the seminary grounds.

The parishioners left in the late afternoon, and I thought no more of the situation. A few hours later I received a panicked call from my family. My mother

was nearly hysterical. When the people had returned home, they had begun calling other parishioners and friends of my family. My condition had worsened with every call. Finally, people who had not been on the bus but who had heard the gossip called my family. One said, "I heard that your son had his leg in a cast!" Another said, "I heard that your son had his leg amputated!" And, finally, someone called and said, "I heard that your son had died!" My mother, who had of course become more upset with each phone call, said, "No one called me from the seminary to say anything!" The person who reported my death replied, "They forgot to call you."

Think of all the unintended harm that gossiping does, especially when exaggerations and distortions of the facts happen so easily and innocently. People who start the gossip always do so from their own personal viewpoint. But how accurate, fair and impartial is that viewpoint? Just as beauty is in the eyes of the beholder, so are negativity and distortion. One person might find something quite distasteful and gossip about it in a complaining manner, but someone else might not have a problem with it at all.

In other words, in gossiping we can pick up a lot of unnecessary difficulties that are really someone else's problems. Someone once said, "Believe nothing of what you hear, and only half of what you see, and you will probably have a clearer picture of the truth!" This is helpful advice when it comes to gossip.

If you have a tendency to gossip, here are a few practical steps that will help you overcome the problem. First, remember that the grapevine is like a chain-break one link, and there will be a major disruption. So turn in your membership card for the gossip clique. Second, show no interest in gossip. Gossipers get a deal of satisfaction when others get excited over their news tidbits. If you disappoint them by showing no interest, they will eventually leave you alone.

Third, resist the temptation to gossip, especially when you have some hot exciting news to share. It can do more for your spiritual growth than wearing a hair shirt for six months.

Fourth, change the focus of the

conversation subtly or, if necessary, abruptly. An old saying puts it, "Great minds speak about ideas; average minds speak about events; little minds speak about people."

Over the years, I have come across a couple of proverbs that contain a lot of wisdom on this topic. "Into a closed mouth, a fly cannot enter." Silence can be golden for many reasons! According to another proverb, "Someone who gossips *with* you will end up gossiping *about* you." If you do not get onto the speaking end of the gossip grapevine, it is less likely you will be on the receiving end. People will respect you more, especially if you learn to keep secrets to yourself. You earn their trust.

If nothing else works, try the remedy one of the saints used when hearing the confession of a woman who was the town gossip. After she confessed so many instances of gossiping, the saint wanted to impress on her that what she considered insignificant chatter was really having far-reaching negative effects. He told her that for her penance, she had to take a pillow filled with feathers, go to the town square, open up the pillow and throw the feathers to the four winds. Then she had to go around and pick up all the feathers.

"Well, that is impossible," the woman complained. "The wind will carry those feathers all over the town!"

"And that is exactly what happens to your gossip," the saint replied. "What you think you are spreading to just one individual soon will spread all over town!"

Needless to say, the penance broke the woman of her habit of gossiping. I have a feeling that remedy would work all the time!

God's blessings! Father Schuster

Sunday homilies are posted on our website: www.rescathroch.org. Current week will be posted on the following Monday; past homilies are available by selecting "From Pastor" on the Home Page.



We are excited about the possibility of expanding our Resurrection parish staff. Fr. Schuster, the Pastoral Council and Finance Council have been discussing the desire to increase the Liturgy Department with the addition of one more full time position. The position we are posting this week is for a MUSIC CHORAL DIRECTOR. When Dan Sherman retired this fall from directing the

Resurrection choir for 19 years, Joann Reier, our Director of Liturgy and R.C.I.A. generously adjusted her schedule and responsibilities to provide leadership to our adult choir along with providing more coverage for weekend liturgies. This allowed us time to explore our needs and determine the best support necessary to care for all Sunday liturgies, all liturgical ministries, increase youth involvement,

# Thoughts from Cheryl

and fully support the rites that make our worship come alive. You may recall our efforts to look seriously at our Faith Formation Department and how we invested effort in formulating a new vision of lifelong learning from birth to death. At the end

of our council and committee work, we created a new job position— Director of Grades 11-12 and Young Adult Ministry. This has been a very important and positive decision that is truly helping Resurrection reach out to a new generation.

When we attended the Amazing Parish Conference in 2014, it was clearly articulated that our main concerns should include: 1. prioritizing the Sunday experience, 2. move parishioners to action, 3. focus on the "unchurched." With the opening of the Choir position, we realized we had an opportunity to provide new support that will enhance our current Sunday experiences and discover new partnerships that will help our parish staff to hear fresh voices, open our hearts to stretch and grow in faith and in service to one another.

Below is a brief job description for the Music Choral Director position. We will begin posting it the coming week to other Catholic parishes, the broader Catholic community, universities and national associations. If you would like to read a full description you can visit http://www.rescathroch.org/WP/job-postings/.

I welcome any questions that you may have. Please pass the word along and continue to pray for us as we discern God's will for the Church of the Resurrection.

Enjoy God's embrace.

# **Choral Music Director**

Seeking an enthusiastic and qualified Choral Music Director for full-time position with benefits, serving 1,400 parish families. Responsibilities include active recruitment, training, and directing of choirs for children, teens, and adults as well as various instrumentalists. Working in collaboration with the Director of Liturgy and RCIA to prepare music for Sunday Eucharist, holydays, funerals, weddings, and other sacraments. Must have a bachelor of music degree, a solid knowledge of Catholic liturgy, conducting, vocal skills, and strong interpersonal skills. Proficiency at the piano is desirable. Position opens January 2017. Send letter of interest, resume and references to Cheryl Kieffer, Director of Ministries at <u>cherylk@rescathroch.org</u>.

# **Parish News**

**Mardi Gras Sunday February 26th 9:30am-2:00 pm** We need Co-chairs and volunteers. Please see the display in the Gathering Space. Any questions, call the office at 507-288-5528.

**Resurrection's 50th Anniversary**, June 11, 2017. Volunteers are needed for the planning of this event. See the display in the Gathering Space for more details or contact our office.

**2nd Collection this Weekend for St. Vincent de Paul** There will be a 2nd collection at Masses for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. 100% of what you donate goes directly to our friends in need. We are able to help our friends in need with rent, utilities, food from our pantry and grocery and gas cards. We are a unique ministry in that we visit our friends in need at their homes and we can see firsthand what their needs may be. We could not provide this help without the wonderful support from our parishioners. We are blessed to be able to help with shelter and food these cold winter months. If you are interested in becoming a member of this rewarding ministry, please contact Kathy Geisler at 281-5358. St. Vincent de Paul meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month in Room C.

**Cookie Saturday/Donut Sunday** next weekend. See the display in the Gathering Space to sign up as a volunteer. We encourage you to stop in and share your time with our parishioner families.

**Virtus Training,** for any parishioner who is 18 years and older that has not been trained but wants to volunteer in ministries within our Parish, will be held at Resurrection on Thursday, February 2nd starting at 6:00 pm. Contact the office if you have questions regarding the training. Go to Virtus.org to register.

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at Resurrection** Liturgical Training Publications is offering virtual workshops that will explore the theological, practical and spiritual aspects of serving as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. *Sessions start at 6:30pm and are held in the church*. Our next workshop will be *Wednesday, February 1st*, titled, "Preparing to Serve as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion." These workshops are open to current Extraordinary Ministers and anyone who may be considering the ministry of Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Any questions, contact the office at 288-5528.



**Rest In Peace** May the eternal Light shine upon her

> **Clotiel Kuennen** Mother of Rosemary Most



# Liturgy Notes from Joann

# Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

*Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness. Christ, be our light. Shine in your church gathered today!* 

These are the words to a familiar song that we sing at Mass called "Christ, Be our Light". Candles give off light. The light of one candle dispels the darkness. We use candles at Mass and at prayer as a reminder of Christ's presence...light in the darkness. During these winter months of Ordinary Time, we are beginning to experience the light of day lasting longer into the evening hours. Just as we celebrate the growing light in nature, we also celebrate the growing light of Christ in our lives! On February 2nd, this coming Thursday, the church celebrates a great feast of light – *the Presentation of the Lord* – also known as Candlemas.

On this day, the scripture readings tell the story of Jesus being presented in the temple by Mary and Joseph. In doing this, the parents of the child Jesus are fulfilling Jewish law, but they are also bringing Jesus to meet believing people who were awaiting the fulfillment of GOD'S promise – Simeon and Anna. Led by the Spirit, Simeon and Anna came to the temple that day and recognized this child as the Light of the World.

As we gather on this feast day, we too recognize Christ as the Light of the World and we pray that the light of Christ will fill the hearts of all believers...and so we begin the Mass by lighting candles and remembering that Christ is our Light. All who gather for Mass on this day will be given a candle, or they can bring a candle from home. As the candles are lit, we sing the mantra *"Christ our Light, Light of the World"*. Then Father blesses the candles with this prayer:

"Sanctify with your blessing these candles, which we are eager to carry in praise of your name, so that treading the path of virtue, we may reach that light which never fails."

May GOD, who created light, pour into our hearts the brilliance of perpetual light – that we ourselves may be a light that shines in the darkness.

Here comes the Son, Here comes the Son, and I say - it's all right!

## Psalm Refrain for February 5 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Psalm 112:4)

The just man is a light in darkness to the upright.

# **Liturgical Ministries**

NOTE: Please remember to find a substitute if you are unable to fulfill your ministry as scheduled.

Thank you. February 4th/5th

# **Altar Servers**

8:00 pm	Beth Sellner, Adam Sellner
8:30 am	Joe Copeland, NOT FILLED
10:00 am	Andrea Augeson, Ryan Neppl
11:30 am	Emma Christofferson, Peter Nguyen
Eucharistic	Ministers
8:00 pm	Maria Del Mundo, Debbie Olson, Theresa Root, Jennifer Schoenfelder, Patricia Schoenfelder, Kim Shimak-Hansen, Elizabeth Teuteberg, Stacie Walterman
8:30 am	Joseph Becker, John Paul Becker, Marcie Becker, Diane Doty, Christine Dvorak, David & Marlys Gathje, Ellen Harford, Nancy Hass, LeeAnn Mueller, Kevin Sutter
10:00 am	Diane Beiswanger, Margaret Beiswanger, Regina Boehmke, Esther Connelly, Lynn Gaber Daniel Galkowski, Julie Galkowski, Timothy Geisler, Brett Maronde, Marylu Nemgar, Shannon Weick
11:30 am	Marianne Aksamit, Tim Fague, Janet Helgren, Janice Larson, Lynette Lenoch, Sheila Pelowski, Karen Reopelle, Rebecca Woodcock
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# About the Parish

# Phone 288-5528 Fax 252-0763 Parish Office Hours Monday-Friday 9:00 am- 5:00pm

# **Mass Schedule**

**Saturday** 8:00 pm **Sunday** 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 am **Daily Mass** 8:30 am Monday - Friday

## **Rosary, Prayer and Devotions**

**Rosary**: 8:10 am Monday-Friday Saturday: 7:30 pm (starting January) Adoration Chapel:24 hours, 7 days

# **Parish Registration**

We warmly welcome new parishioners and request that they register by calling the parish office.

#### Pastor

Fr. Peter Schuster pastor@rescathroch.org

Parochial Vicar Fr. Shawn Haremza parochialvicar@rescathroch.org

## **Director of Ministries**

Cheryl Kieffer dirministries@rescathroch.org

# **Office Manager**

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**Bookkeeper** Julie Taylor bookkeeper@rescathroch.org

# **IT Administrator**

Ely Pelowski itadmin@rescathroch.org

# Weekly Calendar

Monday, January 30th 3rd Grade Learning Centers 4:00-7:00 pm Faith Formation Classes Gr.1,2,4,5 4:30/6:30 pm Heart of Trinity Prayer Group 7:00 p.m. Weekly Bulletin deadline is Monday before noon. General Email: communications@rescathroch.org; General Office Email: officemgr@rescathroch.org

# Director Gr. 11-12; Young Adult Ministry

Georges Montillet dre11to12yam@rescathroch.org Director Gr.6-10;Youth Ministry

Rosemary Byrne dre6to10ym@rescathroch.org

## **Director Gr. 1-5 and Family**

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# Director of Sunday School &

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# **Choir Director** Joann Reier

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#### Maintenance

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# **Parish Trustees**

Scott Schwalbe sschwalbe@charter.net Cathy Tiegs cathytiegs@yahoo.com

# **Communion for Shut-ins**

Each First Friday and upon request. Call the office for assistance.

## **Hospital Visitation**

Please notify the parish office if any parishioner is confined to a hospital and would like a visit from a priest.

# Calvary Cemetery

Joseph Vroman 288-1770 www.calvarycemeteryrochester.org

Rochester Catholic Schools RCS Office 507-424-1817

Rite of Christian Initiation of

Adults (RCIA) For those considering becoming Catholic contact Joann Reier: 288-5528.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** Saturday from 6:45 - 7:45 pm

## **Sacrament of Baptism**

Baptism preparation is held the second Tuesday of each month. Consult the Parish Office for the Pre-Jordan class and to schedule a baptism.

## **First Communion**

First Communion/Reconciliation is usually in second grade.

## Confirmation

Confirmation is a two year program starting in ninth grade with Confirmation being at the end of the tenth grade.

## Marriage

Please make arrangements with the parish at least six months prior.

Tuesday, January 31st Faith Sharing Leaders Meeting 7:30pm Wednesday, February 1st Food For Friends 4:30 pm Stewardship Committee Meeting 4:30 pm Faith Formation Classes Gr 6-10 6:00 pm & 7:30 pm Eucharist Minister Webinar 6:30 pm **Thursday, February 2nd** Virtus Training 6:00pm Adult Choir 7:00 pm **Saturday, February 4th** Society of Divine Mercy Monastery Prayer Group 6:30 am Rosary 7:30 pm Cookie Saturday

# **St. Francis School News**

Catholic Schools Week begins on Sunday, January 29th. Check out our website for all the weekly activities.

Tuesday, January 31st is St. Francis Night at Potbelly's. Mention the school at the cash register and a percentage of your guest ticket will be donated back to the school.

Wednesday, February 1st is an Early Dismissal Day. Buses will run their normal routes. School dismisses at 12:10 p.m. Lunch will be served prior to dismissal.

The Catholic Schools Week Mass will be celebrated at Lourdes High School on Thursday, February 2nd at 10:00 a.m.

The Home and School Association sponsors our annual ice cream social and Open House on Thursday, February 2nd. The Scholastic Book Fair will be held in the school library.

Report cards will be sent home with students in grades K-3, and posted for grades 4-8 on Friday, February 3rd.

# **Community News**

*Do you wish you could find a more personal manner than cash donation to help the needy?* The Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) of Rochester is looking for volunteers who could work from home one day every other week. The volunteer position would be to take telephone calls from needy persons that are requesting help from SVdP and channeling the information received from the calls to the volunteers that visit the persons that need help. For more information about the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in Rochester, please go to the following website: <u>www.svdprochmn.org/about-us</u>. For more information about this volunteer opportunity, please call Sandi Fitterer at 507-271-0359; or email your questions to tootrue10@gmail.com.

Isn't it time you pay attention to your relationship with

**God?** Sign up for the Christian Experience Weekend (CEW) to be held in Waukon IA on Feb 24 – 26 for men or at Camp Victory in Zumbro Falls MN on Mar 24-26 for women. Brochures are available at church or online at http://www.paxchristichurch.org/christian-experience-weekend-1. If you have any questions, please call or email one of us. Julie Viet (398-7401 or <u>iviet1@charter.net</u>), Jessica Bell (288-4246 or <u>jkb216@yahoo.com</u>), Terry Painter (287-0668 or <u>rchpainters@gmail.com</u>).

Readings for the Week of January 29, 2017 Sunday: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/Ps 146/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a Monday: Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31/Mk 5:1-20 Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4/Ps 22/Mk 5:21-43 Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103/Mk 6:1-6 Thursday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32 Friday: Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27/Mk 6:14-29 Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23/Mk 6:30-34 ©Liturgical Publications Inc

# **Mass Intentions**

Mon.,	Jan., 30th	8:30 am	†John Neylon
Tues.,	Jan., 31st	8:30 am	Toan Nguyen
Wed.,	Feb., 1st	8:30 am	†Holy Souls
Thurs	., Feb., 2nd	8:30 am	†Sr. Generose Gervais
Fri.,	Feb., 3rd	8:30 am	For the Parish Priests and all Priest in the Diocese
Sat.,	Feb., 4th	8:00 pm	†Robert Johnson
Sun.,	Feb., 5th	8:30 am	†Mark Meany
		10:00 am	†Jerrold Breitenfield
		11:30 am	For the Parish

**Resurrection's Rosary** will be recited every Saturday at 7:30 pm. If you would like to lead the Rosary, call the office at 507-288-5528. Following are the Rosary leaders: Feb 4th: Jerome Taubel. February 11th: John O'Meara

# Dedication Candles Jan 28th/Feb 3rd

1. †Tom O'Neill

2. †Leone Motl



# Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration *Hours of Need*



**Could you not spend one hour with Me?"** Matthew 26:40

**Life changes when we spend time with Jesus face to face.** Prayerfully consider committing to one hour a week before Him in Eucharistic Adoration. Call Tim Fague at 507-288-6578 to sign up. Any hour is welcomed.

\* We are looking for a second adorer in these hours.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
9 pm*	9 am*	1 am	11 am	12 pm	3 am*	5 am
	11 am	3 am*		1 pm	2 pm	8am*
		9 am*		7 pm*	4 pm*	2 pm
					5 pm*	9 pm
						10 pm

# **Faith Formation**



News from Sheila, Sunday School dresscm@rescathroch.org Come Follow Me! It is important to remember that Jesus was a very special

person, an extraordinary man. Today we hear him ask some fishermen to leave their boats, nets, homes, and families to follow him. The remarkable

thing is, that's just what they did! Come and see the vibrancy of our Sunday School students and helpers! If you are interested in joining Sunday School or Nursery, please contact me as we are open to accept new participants!





**News from Stacey, Grades 1-5** *dre1to5fm@rescathroch.org* or 288-5528 x108 **Grades 1-5:** Faith formation classes for grades 1, 2, 4, and 5 meet on Monday, January 30th at 4:30 and 6:00pm. **The 3rd Graders and their parents** will have learning centers on Monday, January 30th in place of classes. The learning centers will be open from 4:00-7:00pm in Fr. Zenk Hall and will take about an hour to complete.

**Virtues in Practice:** This month we have been learning about *fortitude* from the lives of St. Bernadette and St. Joan of Arc. Share stories and memories with your children about times when you had to practice the virtue of *fortitude*. Tell them about their grandparents and great

grandparents and some of the courage and bravery that they needed throughout their lives. True stories are the best stories and they tell children about their heritage and roots. It will help them to trust and practice *fortitude* in their own lives.

**First Communion:** Upcoming Parent/child learning centers for all Resurrection children in grades 1-5 are on Monday, February 27th (Pray, Fast, Give, Rejoice Lent & Easter Centers) and on Monday, March 6th are First Communion Learning Centers for parents & children preparing for their first communion.



**News from Rosemary,** Grades 6-10 *dre6to10ym@rescathroch.org* or 288-5528 x104

Reminder: We are having our 9th Grade Parent Meeting today at 2:00 pm.

These jeans we cut to make soles for shoes to be worn by children in Uganda to prevent

Thank you for all the jeans donated for our Winter Chill sole project. We collected over 100 pairs of jeans. There was a lot of cutting. To learn more about this project, please visit their website, www.solehope.org.





disease and better foot hygiene.

# News from Georges, Grades 11-12, Young Adult *dre11to12yam@rescathroch.org* or 288-5528 x116 Young Adults

**Fusion:** Young couples and parents of young children are invited to meet each other at our next Fusion event, 6pm-7:30pm on Feb. 10th. Free dinner and babysitting are provided along with a talk on enlivening the romance in marriage: "Romantic Catholicism."

**Social Squared**: Channel One Service Project . Contact Georges if you'd like to be part of the Team. **RCTC**: Contact Georges to find out about our RCTC Catholic Student Association.

## Teens

**Super Bowl Party**: All teens are invited to our party hosted by our teens Feb. 5th 5:30– end of the game. **Battle of the Bands**: Start tuning up for Monday, Feb. 20th, 4:30pm—6pm in Fr. Zenk Hall. \$500 in Cash Prizes! **KC Free Throw Contest:** Thursday. Feb. 2nd at 6pm in the St. Francis School Gym.