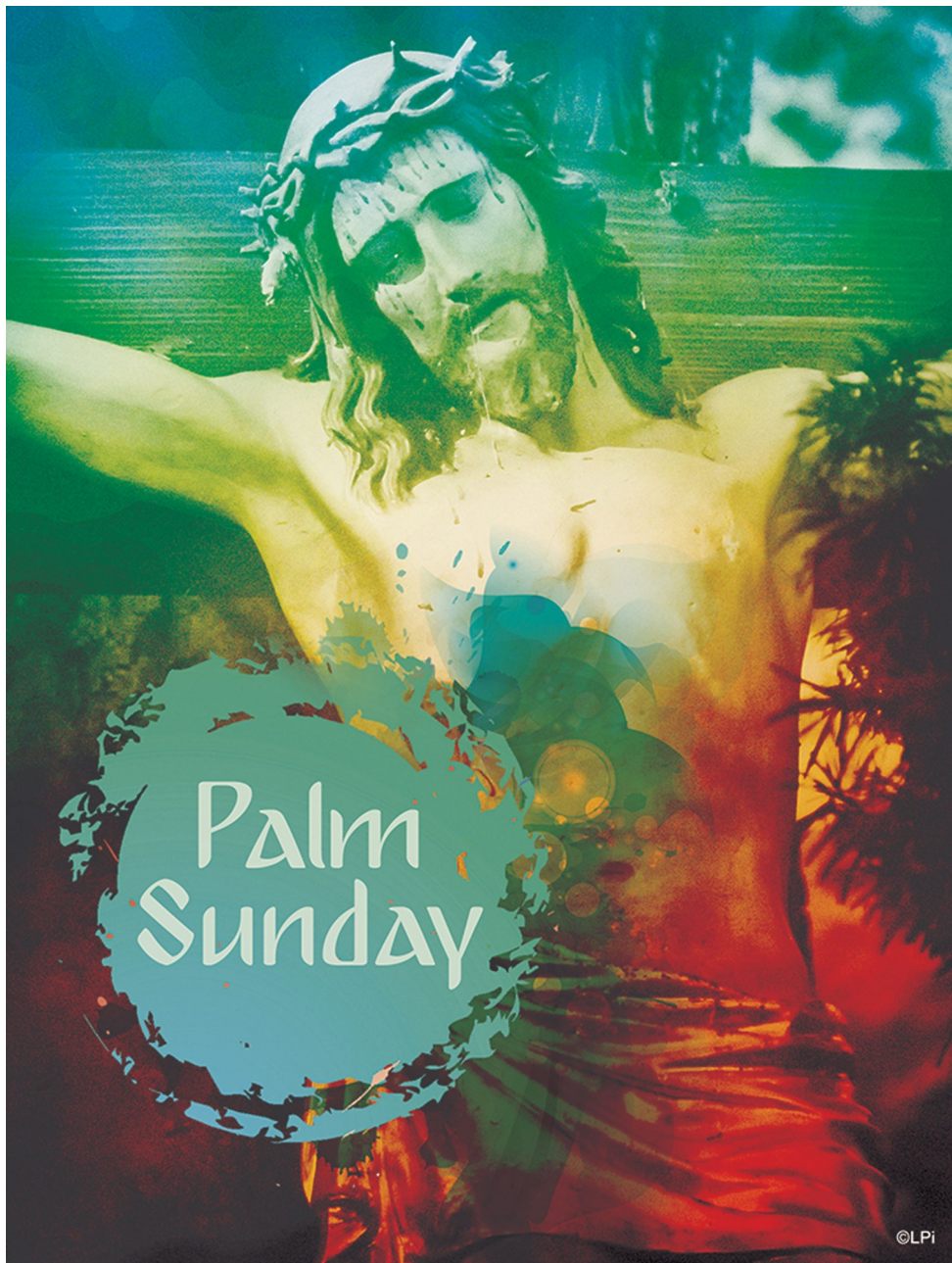


March 25th, 2018

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

An ever-growing Eucharistic community boldly serving others through God's love



Worthy Vessels

Eternal and glorious God, you sent your Son, Jesus, to redeem us. Bring your Holy Spirit upon each of us and like the anointing at Bethany, may your Spirit anoint us with your love and make us worthy vessels ready to pour out your gift of mercy.

Give us generous hearts so that, transformed by Jesus' Passion and renewed in his Resurrection, our lives may become signs of your generosity, love, and peace.

Grant us, O Lord, the courage to embrace the cross, which calls us to put aside our desires and witness to the victory over sin and death.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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Weekly Words from The Rock

Random Thoughts from Father Schuster

American Catholic.org has a daily question on faith.

As we look into the events of Holy Week, I would like to mention certain people/events which play an important role in Holy Week. In mentioning the person/event, I would like to provide one of the daily questions, along with the respective answer, from American Catholic.org.

Saints – In light of so many events, and saints, from Holy Week – St. Veronica, St. Mary Magdalene, St. John the Apostle, here is a question on saints.

Question: How many saints are there?

That is a difficult question to answer. In the first eight or nine centuries there was no formal process of canonization. People were recognized as saints because of a kind of popular acclamation. People were believed to be saints because they had been martyred for the faith or they had lived very holy lives. Often their graves became places of pilgrimage and prayer. We have no idea of how many people's lives were not recognized. This is one reason we have the Feast of All Saints. Sometimes the recognition of holiness was particular to an area or community. Sometimes the reputation for sanctity spread beyond national borders. It was not until 993 that the first official canonization took place. It was then that Pope John XV declared Bishop Ulrich of Augsburg a saint. The original edition of Butler's Lives of the Saints, published between 1756 and 1759 had 1,486 entries. The 1956 revision contained 2,565. Given the many people that Pope John Paul II (and subsequently Pope Benedict XVI and Pope Francis) beatified or canonized during his papacy the next revision may extend well past its current 12 volumes. (Question of the Day for May 11, 2014).

Prayer – In the Garden of Gethsemane and on the cross, Jesus Christ prayed to the Father.

Question: Does God hear our prayers?

Catholics believe that God is omniscient, that is, he is all-knowing. He knows everything. He is also omnipresent – he is everywhere. For more on the attributes of God, you can read the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*. How God knows and is present differs from the way in which we humans know and are present to someone or someplace. Whenever we speak of God, we can only say, “it is something like.” There is a vast difference between the divine and the human. The human attributes we assign to God by analogy only. Theologians call this “the analogy of being.” God is spirit; he does not have eyes, ears or tongue. How God knows and communicates with human beings is a subject for theologians to explain and ponder. Yet Scripture and our own experience make it evident that God is aware of what is happening to his creatures and can act upon our senses to

communicate with us. Jesus' words on prayer, “Ask and you will receive” (Luke 11:9), presupposes God hears and is aware of our prayers. (Question of the Day for May 7, 2014).

Mary, the Mother of God – present at the foot of cross and the first to which it is believed Jesus appeared after the resurrection.

Question: How old was Mary at death?

Theologians argue whether Mary actually died. The Orthodox Church refers to the “dormition” (sleeping) of Mary. The Catholic Church has never defined this. Those who pray the Franciscan Crown, however, add two Hail Marys to the seven decades of the crown because of a Western tradition that Mary died at age 72. (Question of the Day for May 2, 2014)

Angels – Angels were present in the Garden of Gethsemane (read Luke 22:43).

Question: What do we know about angels?

The list of nine choirs of angels goes back to the fourth century AD. Tradition identifies these choirs in ascending order as angels, archangels, principalities, powers, virtues, dominations, thrones, cherubim, and seraphim. Although no Scripture text confirms this, it is often said that Satan belonged to the seraphim (those closest to God) but lost that position through his pride and disobedience. Non-scriptural texts suggest that Satan was originally among the highest of the angels. In his Letter to the Colossians, St. Paul warned the Christians there against trying to enlist angels to guarantee a particular outcome of events. Because angels are diversified signs of God's providence, they are never a means of manipulating God for our advantage. In sections 328 through 336, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* emphasizes that angels are God's servants and messengers, reminding us of the “blessed company” we are intended to share with them. The *Catechism* does not list the choirs of angels, their duties, number or creation. (Question of the Day for March 21, 2014)

Heaven – One of the realities of the original sin was that the gates of heaven were closed. Jesus' death once again opened the gates of heaven.

Question: Where is heaven?

It is tempting to say that heaven must be a place so that the bodies of Jesus and Mary can be there. According to the New Testament, glorified bodies are both like and unlike normal, human bodies. The post-resurrection appearances assure the apostles that this truly is Jesus. St. Paul says that glorified bodies are not exactly like human bodies. “It [the body] is sown corruptible; it is raised incorruptible...It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual one” (1 Corinthians 15:42,44). Considering all that the Gospels say about glorified bodies, it is uncertain whether they must occupy space right now. That would remove the pressure for heaven to be a physical place – though heaven is still very real. (Question of the Day for March 29, 2014)

God's Blessings. Father Peter Schuster
pastor@rescathroch.org.

Parish News

LENTEN ALMSGIVING 2018

We encourage your involvement. Support may be given at any time during the six weeks at the Lenten Almsgiving Display in the Gathering Space.

Week Six (weekend of March 24/25) Holiday Food Drive

This is a ministry with a new vision of the formerly named, Thanksgiving Food Baskets, which was thru St. Francis Catholic Parish. St. Francis will no longer organize the food baskets. Resurrection feels this is an important ministry to continue.

Our mission will be to collect foods and pack boxes of groceries to supplement families in our community. This ministry will require additional volunteer time, leadership, and financial assistance.

The key needs for Holiday Food Drive Please consider donating your time or dollars to help make this ministry a success. Please be on the lookout for additional information regarding how to volunteer your time as further plans develop.

Ministry Contact: Stephanie Collura 314-374-9239

No Daily Mass on Thursday, Mar 29th; Friday, Mar 30th.
Good Friday second collection for the Holy Land.

Easter Vigil Mass (Saturday) 8:00 pm

Sophie Klein, our catechumen will be baptized, confirmed and receive the Eucharist.

Jackie Klein, our catechumen will be baptized and receive the Eucharist. She will be confirmed with her peers at our Confirmation Mass on April 28th.

If you cannot be there to celebrate this Mass with them and their families, please consider giving them a congratulatory card. There is a basket for the cards in the Gathering Space.

Devasi Johnson and Bobby Marines will be baptized.

Following this Mass, there will be reception for them in the Zenk Hall.

Easter Sunday Mass times are 8:15 am; 10 am; 11:45 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday, March 27th 5:00—6:00 pm
No reconciliation on Saturday, March 31st

The Great Triduum—March 29th, 30th and 31st

Holy Thursday, March 29th

Mass of the Lord's
Supper— 7:00 pm



Adoration/
Night Prayer
10:45 pm



Good Friday, March 30th

Morning Prayer—9:00 am

Song of the Shadows meditation
2:30pm

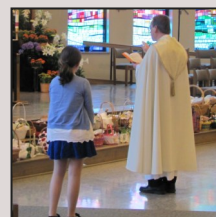
Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:00 pm

Celebration of the Lord's Passion
7:00 pm



Holy Saturday, March 31st

Blessing of Food—
3:00 pm



Easter Vigil—8:00 pm
We will start at the fire pit located in the SE corner of the back parking lot.

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 Mon-Fri 8:30 am

Rosary: Mon-Fri 8:10 am; Sat. 7:30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 6:45-7:45 pm

Tuesday, March 27th 5:00-6:00 pm

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

Baptism Pre-Jordan class is held the second Tuesday of the month. Contact the Parish Office to register for the class or schedule a baptism.

Communion for Homebound Call the office for assistance.

Hospital/Homebound Please notify the parish office if you would like a visit from a priest.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

For those considering becoming Catholic, contact Joann Reier, 507-288-5528, ext. 109.

Calvary Cemetery Steve Flynn, Call 507- 273-0140, or email; director@gmail.com.



Musical Musings from Joy

Music and Choral Director,
choirdirector@rescathroch.org.

Last week, we began our discussion of the music of the Liturgy of the Eucharist by discussing the **Eucharistic Prayer**. This week, we will look at the music of the **Communion Rite**.

The first possible sung portion of the Communion Rite is **The Lord's Prayer**. While we do not currently sing this at Resurrection, it is always a possibility for the future. Everyone maintains the parts they speak in sung versions, too: The presider offers the **invitation** and the **embolism** and everyone joins in on the **doxology**.

The next sung portion of the Communion Rite is the **Agnus Dei**. Like many songs and hymns discussed in this series thus far, the **Agnus Dei** (Lamb of God) **accompanies** the **Fraction Rite**. This is the time when the priest fractions – that is, breaks up – the Holy Eucharist for distribution to all. While we always sing it three times here at Resurrection, there is nothing saying that's the rule. We are called to sing it as many times as needed until the Fraction Rite is over. But, it offers consistency, and many current musical settings are scored this way.

Much like the **Entrance Antiphon**, there is also a **Communion Antiphon**. This, too, is taken from the Roman Missal and generally follows a theme within the Mass or Liturgical Season in question. This begins as soon as the presider has received the Sacrament himself, and continues "for as long as the Sacrament is being administered to the faithful" (GIRM 86). Often, the Communion Antiphon is taken from the Psalms, but that is not always the case. For instance, here is the Communion Antiphon for this Palm Sunday weekend:

"Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done." (Matthew 26:42)

Sometimes, the Communion Antiphon will lend itself quite nicely to a song in the hymnal. Whenever possible, I try to use such a song in my own planning of music here at Resurrection. However, it certainly is not always possible. Therefore, it is helpful that the Roman Missal gives allowances for "another appropriate liturgical song," if needed (GIRM 87).

There is also an option for a **Song After Communion**, which can generally be considered a reflection. Whenever possible, the Congregation should be invited to sing this song, as well.

Next week, we will take a look at the music of the **Concluding (Dismissal) Rites**.

Hymnal Scavenger Hunt How'd you do with last week's Hymnal Scavenger Hunt? It was *Christ Be Beside Me*, which can be found in your green hymnal at #650. Here's this week's clue:

This **Taizé** piece by **Jacques Berthier** is very popular for **Stations of the Cross**, but also for **Palm Sunday**.

Hint: This song may be found in the red hymnal.

Liturgical Ministries

NOTE: Please remember to find a substitute if you are unable to fulfill your ministry as scheduled. Thank you.
Mar. 31st/Apr. 1st

Altar Servers

- 8:00 pm As signed up
- 8:15 am Beli Jones, Carolyn Jones, Stefan Jones
- 10:00 am Avery Davis, Lilly Davis
- 11:45 am Jesse Hirvela, Jonathon O'Connell

Eucharistic Ministers

- 8:00 pm As signed up
- 8:15 am John-Howard Carroll, Diane Doty, Liz Hanson, Michael & Mary Lose, Joan Miller, Audrey Nervig, Eugene Nolan, Deb Rowekamp, Kevin Sutter, Donna Weber
- 10:00 am Esther Connelly, Charles DeVos, Julie Galkowski, Timothy Geisler, Douglas & Melody Hudson, Aida & Joseph Kostick, Andrew Kowal, Robert Techentin, Bob Voss
- 11:45 am Marianne Aksamit, Janet Helgren, Lynette Leno, Jackie O'Connell, Michelle Ouh, Karen Reopelle, Catherine Tiegs, Rebecca Woodcock

Lectors

- 8:00 pm As signed up
- 8:15 am Martin Cormack, Richard Miller
- 10:00 am Mary Chestolowski, Bryan Pierskalla
- 11:30 am Allen Aksamit

Greeters

- 8:00 pm As signed up
- 8:15 am Gary & Mary Plan, Matthew, Eric, Karl & Lynn Ladin
- 10:00 am Shannon & Tom Knoepke, Elizabeth Boxrud
- 11:45 am Jennifer Gehling, Carrie Plumlee

Ushers

- 8:00 pm As signed up
- 8:15 am Francis Mueller, Chuck Radloff, Clara Radloff, Albert Weber
- 10:00 am Aaron Davis, James Maronde, Jim Sinn, William Sullivan
- 11:45 am Mick Garvey, Brett Parks, Jeffrey Schotzko, Kilian Schotzko

St. Francis School News

Tuesday, March 27th: Weekly School Mass 9:15 am in the church; Monthly HERO assembly 1:20 pm in school gymnasium.

Thursday, March 29 ; The end of third quarter; Student Council is sponsoring a theme day - Mismatch or Career.

Friday, March 30th; Good Friday, no school and the beginning of spring break. There is No School April 2-6th. School resumes on April 9.


Community News Weekly Bulletin deadline is Monday before noon; communications@rescathroch.org


Tenebrae Service: Song of the Shadows, Wednesday, March 28th, 7:00 pm at Pax Christi Church. This dramatic work reflects on the life of Christ from his entrance into Jerusalem to his passion on the cross. This service includes powerful music by choir, orchestra and soloists with dramatic readings which presents a great opportunity to prepare for the Sacred Triduum.

Mass of Anointing for the Elderly and Sick, Friday, April 6th at 10:00 am, The Church of St. John the Evangelist, Rochester, followed by fellowship and treats. Handicapped parking available in the north parking lot; parking available on 4th Ave and south of the church on 1st St SW (school parking lot).

The Church of St. Francis of Assisi will host a teaching and exposition of Sacred Relics on WEDNESDAY, March 28 at 6:15 pm. Father Carlos Martins of the Companions of the Cross will be here with his very special ministry to teach about these holy objects. He will bring with him over 150 relics, some as old as 2000 years. Among the treasures will be relics of St. Maria Goretti, St. Therese of Lisieux (*the "Little Flower"*), St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Thomas Aquinas, and St. Faustina Kowalska. In addition, there will also be present a portion of the veil of Our Lady, as well as one of the largest remaining pieces of the True Cross in the world. Those in attendance will be able to examine and venerate each relic. **Please do not miss this opportunity!** In the Church's history, many miracles and healings have been worked in the presence of relics, and many have been healed through this ministry. You are encouraged to bring articles of devotion (*rosaries, holy cards, etc.*) and pictures of ill friends/family members which you will be able to touch to the reliquaries as a means of intercession. Please visit www.treasuresofthechurch.com for more information!

Weekly Calendar	
Monday, Mar. 26th	Stations of the Cross Gr 1-5, 5:30 pm Heart of Trinity Prayer Group 7:00 pm
Tuesday, Mar. 27th	Reconciliation 5:00-6:00 pm St. Vincent de Paul Society 7:00 pm
Wednesday, Mar. 28th	Food for Friends Teen Ensemble 7:15 pm
Holy Thursday, Mar. 29th	No Morning Mass Mass 7:00 pm Night Prayer 10:45 pm
Good Friday, Mar. 30th	Office Closed No Morning Mass Morning Prayer 9:00 am Song of Shadows 2:30 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:00 pm Passion of the Lord Mass 7:00 pm
Saturday, Mar. 31st	Blessing of Food 3:00 pm Vigil Mass 8:00 pm
Sunday, Apr. 1st	Masses, 8:15 am; 10:00 am; 11:45 am
Monday, Apr. 2nd	Office Closed Rosary 8:10 am Daily Mass 8:30 am
Tuesday, Apr 3rd	Rosary 8:10 am Daily Mass 8:30 am

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel						
	<i>When you look at the Crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host you understand how much Jesus loves you now. Mother Teresa</i>					
Hours of Need call Tim Fague at 507-288-6578 to sign up. * 2nd adorer hours.						
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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 **Healthcare Ambassadors Ministry** You'll remember from his invitation in February that Dr. Chris Frisch is our volunteer healthcare ambassador. Chris is a specialist in Otolaryngology (Ear, Nose, & Throat). If you wish to seek free medical advice, call 937-308-9705 or email cfrisch777@gmail.com. Chris also invites any medical professional to join him as healthcare ambassadors. Besides helpful medical advice via email or phone, ambassadors will host monthly healthcare clinics. These clinics are the perfect opportunity for anyone to come and chat with the ambassadors on any health topic. Clinics will also offer free readings of blood pressure, heart rate, etc. Prescriptions or testing will not be offered. All ambassadors will be trained in SAFE SPACE and VIRTUS. Please find the VIRTUS link on our website to register for your training. Erica Stiller, our Parish Administrator, will assist you in any questions or concerns regarding your training.



Liturgy Notes from Joann,

Director of Liturgy & RCIA,
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The Easter Triduum

Today begins Holy Week – the most holy week in our liturgical year. The readings Monday through Wednesday highlight the events that led up to Jesus’ betrayal - then we enter the **Easter Triduum: Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday**. The word *Triduum* comes from two Latin words (*tres* and *dies*) which mean “a space of three days.” The *Easter Triduum* begins at *sundown* on Holy Thursday with the Mass of the Lord’s Supper and concludes at *sundown* on Easter Sunday with Evening Prayer. If you have never attended the Easter Triduum liturgies – *make this year your first!*

Holy Thursday: The Easter Triduum begins with the *Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper at 7:00 pm*. There are many distinct elements at this Mass: the washing of feet, a solemn procession of gifts for the poor (*bring your Operation Rice Bowls*) and the transfer of the Holy Eucharist to a place of repose. The theme that unites all of these elements is *love*: the liturgy of Holy Thursday does not simply *tell* us about Christ’s love – we *experience* it. The liturgy this day never really concludes as we place the Holy Eucharist in a tabernacle in Father Zenk Hall (*the altar of repose*) and spend the night there - with Jesus - in prayer. We end our night of prayer together with *Night Prayer* in Father Zenk Hall at 10:45 PM.

Good Friday: This “good” Friday begins with *Morning Prayer* in Father Winkels Chapel at 9:00 AM. At 2:30 PM we spend time in meditation with the music from the “Song of the Shadows” and then at 3:00 PM, the hour of mercy, we pray the *Chaplet of*

Mercy and thus begins the Novena of Divine Mercy which culminates on the Sunday of Divine Mercy. The **Celebration of the Lord’s Passion** begins at **7:00 PM**. There is no formal introduction to this liturgy since the Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday ended without a formal dismissal. This is because the *Easter Triduum* is one great liturgy and our prayer flows – uninterrupted – from one celebration to the next. There is no Mass today – no sacrifice. We begin with the *Liturgy of the Word* followed by *Solemn Intercessions*, the *Veneration of the Cross*, a collection for the Holy Land and a Communion Rite. We leave in silence.

Holy Saturday: The *Easter Vigil* is the most important Mass of the year. It has four parts, beginning at **8:00 PM** with a Service of Light. Weather permitting, we gather around the fire pit, bless the fire and light the Easter Candle. Then we process to the church where we gather in the darkness with the light of the Easter Candle to proclaim that Christ is our light, who shatters the darkness of sin. The next part of the Vigil is the Liturgy of the Word – the Scripture passages this night tell the story of salvation, the love story of GOD, ending with the *Gospel* of the Resurrection. The third part is the Liturgy of Baptism – this year *Sophia* and *Jackie Klein* will be plunged into the waters of new birth. Two other children will also be baptized – Bobby Marines and Devasi Johnson. Then Sophia will be anointed with sacred chrism as she is confirmed in the Spirit. Jackie will be confirmed later in the month with her peers at the Confirmation Mass celebrated by the Bishop. Then the entire community light their candles and renew their own baptismal promises. The Vigil culminates in the Liturgy of the Eucharist – when Jackie and Sophia join us at the table of the Lord for the very first time.

Psalm Refrain for April 1 – Easter Sunday (Psalm 118:24)

*This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.
Alleluia.*

Mass Intentions

Mon., Mar. 26th	8:30 am	†John Stadelman
Tues., Mar. 27th	8:30 am	†Tom Nguyen
Wed., Mar. 28th	8:30 am	†Eldon Oppe
Thurs., Mar. 29th	7:00 pm	†Dawn Doherty
Fri., Mar. 30th	7:00 pm	†Deceased Parish Members
Sat., Mar. 31st	8:00 pm	†Maureen Lutgen
Sun., Apr. 1st	8:15 am	†Matthew Konkell
	10:00 am	†Patrick O’Shaughnessy
	11:45am	For the Parish



Rest In Peace
May the eternal Light shine upon him

Curt H. Mathiowetz

*Survived by his wife, Maryanne,
Children, Stephanie, Amy and Brad*

Financial Blessings Sunday, Mar. 18th, 2018

Church Support.....	\$10,936
Capital Projects.....	\$332
Children’s Collection.....	\$65
EFT Church Support.....	\$370
EFT Capital Projects.....	\$20
On Line Giving.....	\$760

On-line giving. If interested, go to our website and click on the “On-line Giving” button. You can pay by credit card, bank transfer or bank check.

Way of the Cross Procession. Good Friday, March 30th at 4:00 pm (Gather at 3:45 pm). The procession will begin at the Government Center at 201 4th St SE and will proceed to St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church.

After the procession, all are welcome to stay and participate in the celebration of the Lord’s Passion at 5:30 pm. For more information, contact Sebastian Modarelli smodarelli@sj.org or call 507-288-7372.

Faith Formation



News from Sheila, Sunday School, Children's Ministry dresscm@rescathroch.org or 288-5528 x 101

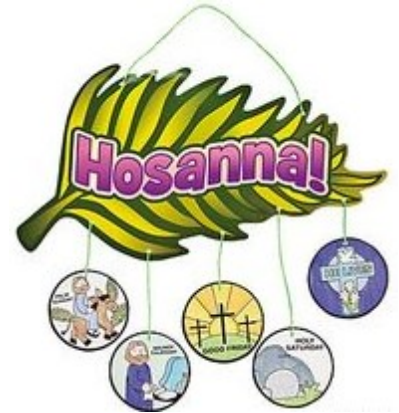
Today we learned that the Jews were awaiting a King to save them from Roman rule and make them free again. Jesus rode into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and was welcomed as this king. However, he wasn't what the people were expecting. Jesus was a king of peace not a king of war.

Children made this pictured Hosanna craft on Palm Sunday to teach them about Jesus' journey from being praised and welcomed, rejected and put to death, to the great revelation of his divinity and proclamation of the good

news of his resurrection. Hang this craft up during Holy Week and review the importance of each holy day with your child. Here are some online articles that you may find helpful in discussing the Triduum (Holy Week).

smartparenting.com/ph/life/home/how-to-teach-your-kids-about-holy-week-and-easter
catholicblogger1.blogspot.com/2011/03/easter-triduum.html

The world was full of darkness and shadows, but now it is filled with light so everyone can see. God sent his only son to fill our world with peace and love. (Isaiah 9:1-2,6) St. John Vianney increase in us the virtue of mercy. Pray for us! Amen.



News from Stacey, Grades 1-5, Family Ministry, dre1to5fm@rescathroch.org or 288-5528 x 108

Grades 1-5: In place of regular classes on Monday, March 26th, all the children and families will be praying the **Stations of the Cross** at 5:30pm.

the Cross for Children and Families: On Monday, March 26 at 5:30pm, all children and families are invited to pray the Stations of the Cross. We will use a version of the Stations of the Cross that is made for children and the 5th graders will lead us. Please join us in the main church.

First Communion: If you still need to turn in a photo of your child for our chalice display, please get it to me this week. Thank you! Remember to keep practicing the steps to receiving communion with your child and to take the My Mass booklet to Mass with them so they can read and follow along with all the parts of the Mass.

Totus Tuus Summer Faith Program: The Totus Tuus Team will be at Resurrection during the week of June 18-22. Registration forms are in the Gathering Space and on our website under Faith Formation grades 1-5 summer activities. Come and learn new things about our Catholic Faith in a fun, upbeat atmosphere. This year we'll be learning about the Apostle's Creed and the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary. Bring a friend!!

Virtues in Practice: *Mercy* is our virtue for March and St. Faustina is our saintly model. Jesus said to St. Faustina, "I am giving you three ways of exercising mercy toward your neighbor: the first-by deed, the second-by word, and the third-by prayer. In these three degrees is contained the fullness of mercy, and it is an unquestionable proof of love for Me. By this means a soul glorifies and pays reverence to My mercy." (Diary of Saint Faustina, 1317) *St. Faustina, help us to practice mercy in our words, in our actions, and by our prayers. Help us to pray for sinners as you did, so that all souls may go to heaven. Pray for us, that we may have great confidence in God's merciful love for us in moments of suffering, and that we may show His mercy to others. Amen.*



News from Rosemary, Grades 6-12, Youth Ministry, dre6to10ym@rescathroch.org or 288-5528 x 104

Wednesday classes: There are no classes on March 28th or April 4th. Classes will resume on April 11th.

The deadline is almost here for anyone wishing to apply to the Dream or Fiat leadership teams for Camp Summit. Please get your application to me by April 1st (this week!)

Confirmation is coming! Please mark your calendar for the **Walk to Emmaus Night of Reflection**—April 18th, 6:30-9:30pm, **Confirmation Practice**—April 27th, 6:00-8:00pm for candidates and sponsors, and the

Confirmation Mass—April 28th, 9:30am (candidates), 10:40am (sponsors) and 11:00am (Mass begins.) All of these events are mandatory for candidates.

Check the display in the Gathering Space for summer activities!

A coming change: It is with both joy and sorrow that I have to tell you that I will be leaving Resurrection on the first week of May. My husband has accepted a position at the University of Alabama in Birmingham. Many of you know that circumstances beyond our control have had us living apart for some time and I'm happy to say that we will once again be together. We have already leased a home there and I will join him following Confirmation.

Resurrection has been our home since we moved to Rochester in 2003 and I am grateful for all of our experiences at this wonderful parish. I will spend the next month doing my best to ensure a smooth transition to the next Director. All of you will remain in my heart and prayers no matter where I go.