

# Church *of the* Resurrection

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## Resurrection Holiday Bazaar

Join us today, 9:30 am - 2:00 pm

Come enjoy a great time with games, food, music, silent auction, raffle, bingo, and fellowship in the Great Hall.



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### *Shepherd of Israel*

Almighty and ever-living God, you are the source of all consolation and font of our salvation.

You have saved your people from the wilderness, gathered them like lambs into your bosom, and fed them with a mother's care.

Make level within us all that sin has made rugged; take the crooked paths of our hearts and make them straight.

May our repentant hearts turn to you and, at the coming of your Son, be found eager to welcome him so that, in joyful celebration, your chosen people can say, "Here is your God!"

*Through Christ our Lord. Amen*



December 10, 2017, Second Sunday of Advent



## Weekly Words from The Rock

### Quiz Question

Last week, I provided questions from the seven sacraments. Here are the answers.

- A. Which sacrament uses the pouring of water to symbolize God's Presence?  
Answer: Baptism
- B. Name the seven sacraments.  
Answer: Baptism, Penance, Eucharist, Confirmation, Marriage, Holy Orders, Anointing of the Sick
- C. Name the three sacraments of initiation.  
Answer: Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation
- D. Four sacraments use oil in the celebration. Name three of them.  
Answer: Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders, Anointing of the Sick
- E. There are three different stages or levels of holy orders. Name two of them. Answer: Deacon, Priest, Bishop

Next, we are going to look at questions from the Creed.

- A. What phrase in the creed describes what happened on Easter Sunday?

- B. Who was the Roman governor when Jesus was condemned?
- C. What phrase in the creed tells about our connection with the holy people in heaven and the suffering souls in purgatory?
- D. What word in the creed reminds us that our church is for all people?
- E. What words in the creed tell us that Joseph was not the human father of Jesus?

I'll give you a week to see if you can come up with the correct answers.

Good luck!

### Biblical Terminology

We continue our work of defining words and names from the pages of the Bible. My source for this is Harper's Bible Dictionary, Harper & Row Publishers, Copyright 1985.

**Chaff** – the covering of the grain removed during the process of winnowing. Nearly all references in the Hebrew Bible are to chaff blown in the wind (Job 13:25; Hosea 13:3; Daniel 2:35). In the New Testament it is what is burned as worthless “with unquenchable fire” after the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit has gathered the wheat into the granary (Matthew 3:12; Luke 3:17).

**Winnowing** – the process by which threshed grain is separated from chaff, the extraneous, nonedible stalks and husks (Ruth 3:2). In the ancient Holy Land, the threshed grain and chaff was placed on a flat open surface, piled on a cloth, a wide but shallow basket, or a sieve. It was then raked or thrown into the air where the brisk afternoon wind

removed the lighter chaff (cf. Psalm 1:4). The heavier grain dropped back to the ground and was gathered. The threshed and winnowed grain was then ready for use or storage in granaries. The same procedures are still used in many places in the Near East today. John the Baptist used the process of winnowing as a metaphor for divine judgment (Luke 3:17).

**Granary** – a storage facility for threshed and winnowed grains such as wheat and barley. The facility ranged in size and format from an entire building of rooms or compartments to plastered or unplastered pits or silos to individual jars or containers. The presence of large granary structures in the ancient Near East implies a surplus production of wheat to guard against famine years as well as some type of organized system for redistribution of the grain (see Jeremiah 50:26; Matthew 3:12).

### Holy Humor



God's blessings! Father Peter Schuster

### Penance Services, Rochester Area Catholic Churches & Schools Schedule through December 19th

Location	Day	Time
Pax Christi	Sunday	4:00 pm
Resurrection	Tuesday	6:30 pm
St. Pius X	Wednesday	1:30 pm
St. Mary/Chatfield	Wednesday	6:30 pm
St. Bernard/Stewartville	Thursday	6:30 pm
Lourdes	Friday	9:00 am
St. Pius X	Sunday	4:00 pm
St. Francis	Tuesday	7:00 pm



### Christmas Flower Offering In Memory of/Honor of

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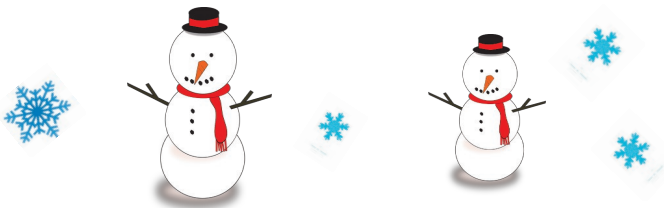


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Come have fun while raising  
money for the parish!



Readings for the Week of December 10, 2017  
Monday: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14  
[Is 35:4f]/Lk 5:17-26  
Tuesday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/  
Jdt 13:18bcde, 19 [15:9d]/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47  
Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10 [1]/  
Mt 11:28-30  
Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab [8]/  
Mt 11:11-15  
Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/  
Mt 11:16-19  
Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19  
[4]/Mt 17:9a, 10-13  
Next Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54 [Is  
61:10b]/1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

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## Parish News

**2018 St. Joseph Sunday Missals** are available in the Gathering Space by the office door. Cost is \$4/book.

**Giving Tree** featuring items needed for Family Promise and Elder Care Ministry. Please stop by the tree, pick out a tag and return the item unwrapped with the tag attached. Monetary gifts can be dropped off in the office or in the drop box located by the office door. Thank you for your generous support.

**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: [www.svdP-rochmn.org/about-us](http://www.svdP-rochmn.org/about-us). For more information about this volunteer opportunity, please call Sandi Fitterer at 507-271-0359; or email your questions to [toottrue10@gmail.com](mailto:toottrue10@gmail.com).

**Food for Friends** Thank you to all that have donated to this ministry. Church of the Resurrection and Channel One are serving about 100 students at Ben Franklin Elementary with extra food items to have over the weekends when children are not in school. We are very appreciative to the committees who pack the bags of food each week. In November over a period of two weeks, our friends at **St. Francis School** did a food drive for this program collecting boxed potatoes, stuffing, canned vegetables, and fruits. These items were added to the food bags to help with the students at Thanksgiving. Thank you St. Francis students! Items were also donated to St. Vincent de Paul. The donation of food is an on-going ministry. Ben Franklin has a food shelf where students in need may ask for extra food to take home during the week. **In December, we will collect pasta and pasta sauces.** Individual mac and cheese or prepared dishes are great for the kids to make themselves. These items may be placed in the black tub located outside the church office. In addition to food, we do special projects for these children. Last year we made **'ditty bags'** for each student. A "ditty bag" is a fabric bag sewn and filled with personal hygiene products. We continue to have these bags on hand for students going through a transition time. If you wish to help, we are looking for new combs/hairbrushes, and Kleenex. If you have those 'take items' from hotels, we have a perfect place for them! Items used to fill the bags are: comb/brush, toothpaste/brush, dental floss, lotion, hand soap, shampoo, kleenex, and a washcloth. **Winter gear:** We have been keeping up with the requests of winter coats, hats, and gloves, due to the donations received last year during Almsgiving. Keep in mind if you have gently used winter outerwear and boots, we would be happy to take them. Parishioners, thank you for all of your continued support to this ministry. Your donation of dollars, food, clothing, etc., is so helpful for these children, one cannot express the gratitude to the fullest. The staff of Ben Franklin is very humbled by our ongoing support and responsiveness to this program, and wish to extend their thanks as well. All items can be dropped off by the Food for Friends display.



## Liturgy Notes from Joann,

Director of Liturgy & RCIA,  
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### Communal Sacrament of Reconciliation

Father Schuster reminded us last week at Mass that Jesus **will** come. It is not a possibility but a certainty. One way to prepare for Christ's coming is to make a place for him in our hearts. We do this by looking into our hearts and seeing those things that we need to let go of in order to make room for love – to make room for Christ. The Sacrament of Reconciliation helps us to do this. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is a healing sacrament, one that we can receive many times – and we should - for this is our encounter with the mercy and forgiveness of GOD.

Sin breaks relationships – between us and GOD and with each other. Sinners (me) hide in the shadows. We don't like who we are and we don't want others to see (pride). When we seek forgiveness – we bring our sin into the light of GOD. Then we are able to see again in the light of love. If you have not received this Sacrament for a while, Advent is a great time to get back into the habit. The Church of the Resurrection will offer the *Communal Sacrament of Reconciliation* on Tuesday, December 12 at 6:30 PM.

If you have not been to a Communal Sacrament of Reconciliation, this is what will happen:

**Gathering Rite:** *We gather in the Church and begin with a song. Father greets us, welcomes us and prays for our healing in the Sacrament.*

**Scripture Readings:** *We hear a reading from the New Testament, sing a psalm and listen to the Gospel.*

**Homily:** *Father opens up the scriptures for our understanding.*

**Examination of Conscience:** *We reflect on our love for God and love for our neighbor.*

**Rite of Reconciliation:** *We recite the Confiteor and pray for God's mercy in a penitential litany. Individual confession and absolution follows.*

There will be 10-12 priests available to hear confessions so the time commitment will be the same as Sunday Mass. Our children who will be making their First Holy Communion in the spring will also be present to celebrate their First Sacrament of Reconciliation. It is a powerful witness to come together as a community to receive this sacrament for we are all sinners. Let us not stumble in the darkness, let us walk together in the light of GOD.

**Psalm Refrain for December 17 –  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent (Isaiah 61:10)**

*My soul rejoices in my GOD.*

## Liturgical Ministries

**NOTE:** Please remember to find a substitute if you are unable to fulfill your ministry as scheduled. Thank you.  
**Dec. 16th/17th**

### Altar Servers

- 8:00 pm Kaitlyn O'Meara, Devon Wald
- 8:30 am Zach Guyer, Nate Spors
- 10:00 am Ryan Neppl, Ava Robertson
- 11:30 am Gavin Balderes, Ana Rubio-Calvillo

### Eucharistic Ministers

- 8:00 pm Jane & Rick Haeflinger, Denise Koster, Debbie Olson, Judith Pelowski, Theresa Root, Patricia Schoenfelder, Kim Shimak-Hansen
- 8:30 am Carrie Carroll, Diane Doty, Calvin Guyer, Ellen Harford, Mary & Michael Lose, Joan Miller, Audrey Nervig, Deb Rowekamp, Beverly Sanders, Patrice Steier
- 10:00 am Diane Beiswanger, Margaret Beiswanger, Robert Degnan, Gloria Flicek, Timothy Geisler, Melody & Douglas Hudson, Aida & Joseph Kostick, Andrew Kowal, Richard Streit
- 11:30 am Marianne Aksamit, Tim Fague, Patricia Hurley, Mary Meine, Jackie O'Connell, Carrie Plumlee, Catherine Tiegs, Rebecca Woodcock

### Lectors

- 8:00 pm Michelle Wald
- 8:30 am Tom Brownlow, Alex Smith
- 10:00 am John Beiswanger, Esther Connelly
- 11:30 am Allen Aksamit

### Greeters

- 8:00 pm Rita Strickland, Eileen King
- 8:30 am Tom & Christiane Lund, Gretchen Cutshall
- 10:00 am Elizabeth Boxrud, Renee Kreter
- 11:30 am **NOT FILLED, NOT FILLED**

### Ushers

- 8:00 pm Richard Clark, Greg Hansen, Randall Schoenfelder
- 8:30 am Eric Ladin, J.R. Miller, Francis Mueller, Kenneth Mueller
- 10:00 am Zachary Walston, Scott Walston, Brandon Weick, Will Weick
- 11:30 am Mick Garvey, Brett Parks, Karen Reopelle

# St. Francis School News

The weekly all school Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, December 12th at 9:15 a.m. followed by Exposition and Adoration. Benediction will be prayed at 2:30 p.m.

The all school Advent Prayer Service will be prayed on Thursday, December 14th at 9:45 a.m.

The annual Christmas Concert will be performed on Thursday, December 14th at 6:30 p.m. at the Church of the Resurrection.

Thursday, December 14th is mid-quarter day.

## Community News

**The Salvation Army of Southeast Minnesota** will be hosting a Warming Center for people who are homeless when the temperature reaches below zero. They need your help. The goal is to recruit around 200 volunteers to help staff the Warming Center when it is open. On Monday, December 11th, there will be a volunteer information session. You only need to attend one session. One will be at 4:30 pm and the next one at 6:00 pm. The sessions are only 30-45 minutes long. The location will be 115 1st Avenue Northeast. Please contact Alex at 507-288-3663 for more information. Remember the Corporal Work of Mercy: Shelter the homeless.

**Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe**, Tuesday, Dec., 12th, St. Mary's Chapel (hospital), 1st Floor Domitilla Bldg., Serenade with Mariachi band, 4:00 pm, Mass 4:30 pm (Bilingual).

## About the Parish

Weekly Bulletin deadline is Monday before noon.  
General Email: [communications@rescathroch.org](mailto:communications@rescathroch.org)

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

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 6:45-7:45 pm

### Pastor

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**Communion for Shut-ins** Each First Friday and upon request. Call the office for assistance.

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

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

**(RCIA)** For those considering becoming Catholic, contact Joann Reier, 288-5528.

**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.

**First Communion/Reconciliation** is usually in second grade.

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

### SPRED (Special Religious Education for adults with development disabilities)

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[rochestersmr1@gmail.com](mailto:rochestersmr1@gmail.com);

Cheri Jensen: [jensentccl@aol.com](mailto:jensentccl@aol.com).

**Calvary Cemetery** Steve Flynn, 507-273-0140, Email: [calvarydirector@gmail.com](mailto:calvarydirector@gmail.com).

## Weekly Calendar

### Monday, Dec 11th

Faith Formation Classes Grs. 1-5,

4:30 pm and 6:00 pm

Prayer Shawl 1:00 pm

Heart of Trinity Prayer Group

7:00 pm

### Tuesday, Dec 12th

Communal Penance 6:30 pm

Holy Hour 7:00 pm/Social 8:00 pm

St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting  
7:00 pm

### Wednesday, Dec 13th

Food for Friends 4:30 pm

Faith Formation Classes Gr 6-10

6:00 & 7:30 pm

Teen Ensemble 7:15 pm

### Thursday, Dec 14th

Marketing & Communications Meeting

5:30 pm

Children Choir 6:00 pm

Adult Choir 7:00 pm

### Friday, Dec 15th

Serran Board Meeting 9:15 am

### Saturday, Dec 16th

Society of Divine Mercy Monastery

Prayer Group 6:30 am

Folk Music Group 7:00 pm

### Sunday, Dec 17th

KC Breakfast following Sunday Masses

Sunday School 8:30 am & 10:00 am



# Musical Musings from Joy

Music and Choral Director,  
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To reiterate our last questions, has anyone ever experienced a rite or “difference” in the Mass from what you’re used to? What was it? Did it hinder or help your prayer? How about music? Have you ever encountered multicultural music at Mass? Was it easy or difficult to pick up on?

Sometimes, subtle differences can exist even between parishes. How about between Resurrection and another parish you’ve belonged to in your life? Which one is “right” and which one is “wrong”? What if I were to tell you they’re likely both RIGHT? The beauty of our postconciliar Church is that these “differences” don’t have to be perceived as wrong – just as a different way of doing things!

Here’s this week’s thought: *Though not all agree, the official inclusion of the call for active participation in Sacrosanctum Concilium has forever changed the shape of the Church. On the whole, “the promotion of active participation was largely accepted and taken for granted, though it was joyfully recognized as a significant dimension of the document. For instance, Cardinal Spellman of New York supported the need for the active participation of the laity in the Mass, though Cardinal McIntyre of Los Angeles was a dissenting voice when, late in the debate, he commented that ‘Active participation of the faithful in the Mass is nothing but a distraction.’”<sup>1</sup>*

*Though there are many judgments about Sacrosanctum Concilium, it cannot be denied that “the ultimate purpose of the council is the conscious participation and active insertion of the people of God in the worship life of the Church.”<sup>2</sup> Therefore, no matter what one’s understanding of “fully conscious, and active participation” may be, it cannot be denied that the intentions of the Council were to enrich the lives of the entire worshipping body of the Church, both lay and religious. Through the intercession of the Holy Spirit, it is desirable to act as one body in all liturgical celebrations.*

Do you find active participation a distraction? When does participating become “too much”? Musically, are there ever times you feel that you are being taken away from the Mass because of those around you? Or yourself? Or the cantor/choir/instrumentalists/director? This passage closes our discussion of the historical timeline of active participation. Next week, we’ll move on to bolder topics!

<sup>1</sup> Tom Elich, “Full, Conscious and Active Participation,” in Vatican II: Reforming Liturgy, eds. Carmel Pilcher, David Orr, and Elizabeth Harrington (Hindmarsh: ATF Ltd., 2013), 28.  
<sup>2</sup> Anna Kai-Yung Chan, “Participation in the Liturgy,” in Handbook for Liturgical Studies: Volume II, ed. Anscar J. Chupungco, (Collegeville, MN: The Liturgical Press, 1998), 151.

**Hymnal Scavenger Hunt** How’d you do with last week’s Hymnal Scavenger Hunt? It was *Emmanuel*, which can be found in your green hymnal at #299. Here’s this week’s clue: *This Advent song is based on an old French carol and tells us to watch towards the direction of the sunrise for the coming of Christ, whose love takes on multiple forms.*

# Mass Intentions

Mon., Dec., 11th	8:30 am	†Tom Schott
Tues., Dec., 12th	8:30 am	†Matt Kellner
Wed., Dec., 13th	8:30 am	†Deceased members of the Mulcahey & Furr families
Thurs., Dec., 14th	8:30 am	†Archie Asleson
Fri., Dec., 15th	8:30 am	†Norm Reopelle
Sat., Dec., 16th	8:00 pm	†Margaret Mulvihill
Sun., Dec., 17th	8:30 am	For the Parish
	10:00 am	†Mathias Kellner
	11:30 am	†Earl Wampach

## Financial Blessings Sunday, Dec., 4th, 2017

Church Support.....	\$15,658
Capital Projects.....	\$1,037
Children’s Collection.....	\$65.32
EFT Church Support.....	\$7,093
EFT Capital Projects.....	\$1,057
On Line Giving.....	\$310

## Eucharistic Adoration Chapel will be closed

**Sunday, December 24th: 8:00 am until midnight**  
**Monday, December 25th: 8:00 am until 10:00 am**

## Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel



**Our chapel is available 24 hours/7 days a week**  
Prayerfully consider committing to one hour a week before Him in Eucharistic Adoration.

Life changes when we spend time with Jesus face to face.  
**“Could you not spend one hour with Me?”**  
Matthew 26:40

### Hours of Need

Call Tim Fague at 507-288-6578 to sign up.

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

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

# Faith Formation



**News from Sheila**, Sunday School, Children's Ministry [dresscm@rescathroch.org](mailto:dresscm@rescathroch.org) or 288-5528 x 101

## Sunday School and Nursery Families:

### \* NO NURSERY or SUNDAY SCHOOL:

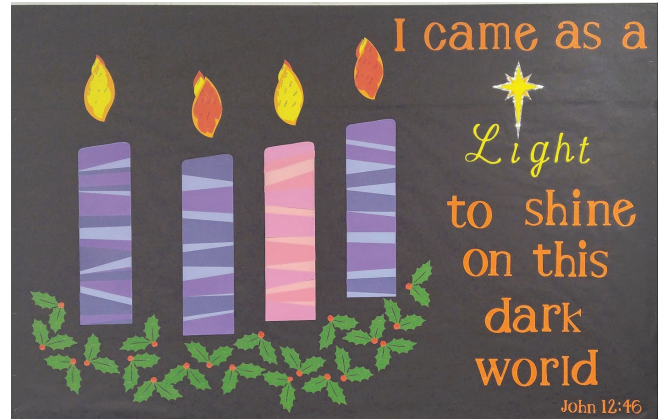
- Enjoy the Christmas Bazaar!
- \* Our Room C bulletin board is ready for Advent!
- Thank you Charlotte Bruining!
- \* Please make sure to check your email for correspondences. Thank you!

## Sunday School Families:

Children have been practicing for their Christmas Concert which will be after the 8:30 and 10:00 Masses on **Sunday, December 17th**. Make sure children are dressed in their Sunday best! Songs were sent home in November so please have your child practice. Sunday School Families and Friends are welcome to join us in singing some well known Christmas carols and enjoy some treats as well!

**Nursery:** Welcome to our new Nursery Volunteers! Kelly and Natalie Schreiner and Elizabeth Christofferson.

**St. Nicholas pray for us!** Amen.



**News from Stacey**, Grades 1-5, Family Ministry, [dre1to5fm@rescathroch.org](mailto:dre1to5fm@rescathroch.org) or 288-5528 x 108

**Grades 1-5:** We have faith formation classes at 4:30pm and 6:00pm on Monday, December 11th. Each class is spending some time learning about Advent and Christmas. All families are encouraged to participate in our Communal Penance Service on Tuesday, December 12th at 6:30pm. It is a wonderful opportunity for the children to receive the sacrament of reconciliation during the season of Advent and to see our children who are receiving penance for the first time. All are welcome to come and pray with us.

**First Reconciliation:** We will be receiving the sacrament of reconciliation on Tuesday, December 12th during our Parish Penance Service at 6:30pm in the main church. Families need to arrive by 6:15-6:20pm to check-in at the table in the Gathering Space and prepare to receive the sacrament. All family members are encouraged to attend and participate by praying with us. If you have any questions, please contact Stacey.



**Virtues in Practice:** *Generosity* is our December virtue and St. Nicholas is our example. As a family, is there a way that you give to each other or to the poor? Children can think of "things" they want for Christmas; help them think of ways that they can give to others. Try to create a "wish list" of ways to be generous. From smallest to tallest, every child can add something to the list. Some examples may include: making homemade cards for nursing home residents, lighting a candle for a prayer intention, shoveling the sidewalk, delivering homemade cookies to a neighbor, doing a sibling's chores for the day, helping a teacher clean the classroom, spending time with Jesus in the Adoration Chapel, or saying thank you to a catechist for teaching your child to love Jesus! Be generous with the gifts and talents that God has given each one in the family.



**News from Rosemary**, Grades 6-12, Youth Ministry, [dre6to10ym@rescathroch.org](mailto:dre6to10ym@rescathroch.org) or 288-5528 x 104

**First Year Confirmation (9th Grade):** Save the date: Parent and Candidate meeting January 21st at 2:00pm.

This is when we organize our faith sharing groups. **Volunteers needed to be faith sharing leaders!** We need a minimum of 10 adults willing to lead a group with a partner. This is a great opportunity to take an active part of the Confirmation process with the candidates. Please contact me if you are interested or would like more information. No experience necessary!

**Second Year Confirmation (10th Grade):** The mandatory Confirmation Retreat is January 6th at the Ironwood Springs Christian Ranch from 10:30am-5:00pm. Please look for a mailing in the next couple of weeks for the complete information. If you are unable to attend, you must notify me so we can arrange an alternative.

December faith sharing sessions are Dec. 10th (6:30 pm) and Dec. 17th (11:00am) It's important to attend one of these sessions

**FYRE:** Dec. 10 & 17: no meeting

Dec. 23: bell ringing for the Salvation Army at the West entrance of Macy's from 1:00pm-2:00pm. Come join us!

Jan. 28: "Art on the Go" event in the Fr. Zenk Hall, 3:00pm. For ages 8 and up. All proceeds will benefit youth scholarships.

In January, our FYRE nights will focus on a study of the Gospel of Matthew. All middle and high school students are welcome!

**Young Adults:** Visit the Rochester Catholic Young Adult Ministry webpage at [www.rochestercatholicmn.org](http://www.rochestercatholicmn.org)