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February 24th, 2019, Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Weekly Words from The Rock

#### **Question and Answer**

Question: I recently became Catholic and keep hearing about all of the stuff you have that is "blessed." Someone gave me a holy card that they said had been blessed. I like the idea; I just don't know what it means for something to be blessed.

Answer: You are correct in noting that almost anything can be blessed. For a thing to be blessed means that it becomes holy. In fact, we often use the two words interchangeably. They convey the same sense of being "set apart." In the Old Testament, God calls his people to be holy, or he tells them that the Sabbath day will be "holy unto the Lord." This particular sense of holiness highlights the "otherness" of someone or something which is blessed. It is no longer ordinary but has been "set apart."

If we stop a moment and consider what it meant for Israel to be holy in practical terms, we quickly see that it means that they had to be different. For God's Chosen People to be "blessed" or "holy," it would mean that they couldn't just look like everyone else. They would have to conduct themselves differently. This is one of the reasons the People of Israel had so many unusual laws governing what they ate and what they wore. They were set apart, and this meant that they had to live the blessing – they had to live differently.

Now, to be "blessed" did not merely mean to be "set apart." It meant to be set apart for something. There is no virtue in simply being different. Israel was holy because it was set apart for the Lord. To be blessed (or to have an object blessed) is to be set apart for a purpose.

Another way to word it: To be blessed is to be set apart for God's purposes. It is not simply to be "removed from use," but to be "elevated to a higher purpose and use." You could also think of the term "consecrated." In this sense, you could see how certain people or things were "consecrated" for a purpose: how Samson and John the Baptist were both consecrated from the womb, or how the altar in the Temple was consecrated for the worship of God.

When we bring forth an object or a person to be blessed, we are presenting that person or thing to God so that (by the power of the Holy Spirit and the invocation of the name of Jesus), they would be set apart for God's purposes. For example, many people will ask me if I can bless their cross on a chain or a bracelet. When they bring it to me, it is merely jewelry. But after it is blessed, it ceases to be jewelry that is nothing more than an accessory to one's outfit: That object has been set apart for a purpose. It will still be worn like jewelry, but the purpose for which it is worn has been changed because the object has been consecrated for a higher

purpose. In the case of the cross around one's neck, the higher use is that it will, from then on, only point to Christ and his saving death and resurrection.

Why do we do this, though? Why bless ordinary objects around us? We do this for the simple reason that we are very much like ancient Israel. Our tendency is to want to be just like everyone else. Having all of these reminders around us that have been consecrated to the Lord assists us and reminds us that we too have been consecrated to God.

Think of part of the Mass on the feast day of St. Blaise, February 3. On that day, people show up to have their throats blessed. The prayer reads like this: "Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may the Lord deliver from every disease of the throat and from every other illness: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." It is a prayer of healing and blessing. But consider this: for a thing to be blessed is for that thing to be consecrated for a purpose. All of those who present themselves (and their throats) to be blessed are essentially offering their throats to be set apart for God's purposes. I like reflecting on this and being reminded that I must use my throat - my voice for God's purposes only. If my throat has been blessed, then it is no longer merely "my throat," and I cannot use it however I want; I have to use it to point to Jesus and his saving death and resurrection.

(Taken from an article written by Father Michael Schmitz, <u>The Catholic Spirit</u>, December 6, 2018, page 15).

#### Pop Ouiz

On February 20, 1997, *The Catholic Spirit* came up with a religious competency test. This test encompasses all articles of the Catholic faith. Here are the questions I posed for you last week and I now provide the answers.

Question 1: Mary at the end of her life on earth was granted the great privilege of being taken into heaven both \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_.

Answer: Body and Soul

Question 2: What group of men today have inherited the power of the apostles *for the church today*?

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Answer: Bishops

Question 3: Who instituted/began all of the sacraments that

we have today? Answer: Jesus

Here are the questions for the coming week.

Question 1: The word confirmation means?

Question 2: What is the church's term for Jesus' taking on of human flesh? In John's Gospel, "And the word became flesh."

Good luck with the questions. I'll provide the answers next week along with the next series of questions.

God's blessings! Father Peter Schuster, Pastor pastor@rescathroch.org

Sunday homilies posted on our website at www.rescathroch.org.

## **Parish News and Events**

Ash Wednesday, March 6th Masses will be held at 8:30 am and 7:00 pm. Sign up sheets for Liturgical ministers for these two Masse are by the sacristy doors. Please stop by the table to sign up. We will not be burning palms this



Mardi Gras 2019 will not be held on Sunday. March 3rd. We thank all groups and parishioners

that were looking forward in celebrating this event, but due to other time commitments, we had to make this decision with heavy hearts.



We will have Cookie Saturday/Donut Sunday, March 2nd/3rd. After Mass, please stop by and sign up to help on

the Volunteer board in the Gathering Space. Thank you for your time and effort.



#### Ian Callanan in Concert at Resurrection Saturday, March 9th at 2:00 pm.

Ian is one of Ireland's leading composers of liturgical music. For more than 10 years, Ian has travelled throughout Europe and the United States as a concert performer, workshop, speaker and retreat leader. He is well known for his ability to get people

excited about being music ministers. All are welcome to come and join Ian in a concert setting where he will bring you on a musical journey of song and prayer. Fellowship to follow the concert. A free will offering willbe taken, but contact Joy Viceroy for ticket information at 288-5528 or email joyv@rescathroch.org.



**Stations of the Cross/Soup Suppers** Friday nights during Lent, beginning with March 8th. Stations begin in the church at 6:00 pm; followed by soup supper in the North Hall.

March 8th Stations of the Cross and soup supper is sponsored by the families of Fusion. All are welcome.



Our Operation Hometown Gratitude Parish night on February 10 was very successful.

In spite of the snow and cold about 80-90 folks turned out to pack 98 boxes. Through your generous donations, each box was packed to the brim with needed requested items. Enough cookies were supplied by our Bakers Ministry and individual parishioners as well as by donations of boxes of Girl Scout cookies so that a container or box could be included in each mailing box. Thanks to generous monetary donations from you, the parishioners, and organizations such as Catholic United Financial and Knights of Columbus, a total of \$1,459 was collected. These donations provided enough funding to mail 81 of those boxes. We were able

to include several pictures and letters of thanks in each box. These were made possible by parish family members, classes from St Francis. and a class from Holy Spirit. Resurrection families and the Faith Formation 6,7,8 grade Spark Night class managed to decorate almost one half of the packing boxes prior to our packing night.

Special thanks go to Gary and his crew from Mayo; Harry, our custodian; Pat, our office manager; our parishioners who volunteered to sort and organize donated items, coordinate the effort as needed, and prep and serve food on Saturday and Sunday; and to ALL who participated by packing, donating, writing letters, or sending prayers. This is another one of our parish events that illustrates what is possible to do when everyone comes together for a common purpose and contributes generously from the heart --- You are the BEST!!!!



Blessings.

Karen Reopelle, OHG Chairperson

#### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday-Friday 9:00 am- 5:00pm For weather closings check KTTC.com or KROC.com websites

#### **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

**Communion for Homebound** Call the office for assistance.

Marriage Please call the office at 288-5528 to make arrangements with the parish at least six months prior.

Baptism Contact the Parish Office to register for the class or schedule a baptism.

Hospital/Homebound Please call the parish office for a visit from a priest.

#### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

For those considering becoming Catholic, contact Sheila Pelowski, 288-5528, or spelowski@rescathroch.org.

#### **Calvary Cemetery**

Steve Flynn, 507-273-0140, or email director@gmail.com.

#### St. Francis Catholic School Grades Pre-K-8th Grade **Lourdes High School**

Contact RCS 507-289-1702 or go to their website rcsmn.org. to learn more about the Catholic schools.

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Teresa Goodrich, 507 280-0349 or email tgoodrich@rcsmn.org

## St. Francis School News

The weekly all school Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, February 26th at 9:15 am.

The monthly HERO assembly will be held on Tuesday, February 26th at 1:20 pm.

The students will attend the dress rehearsal of our spring musical, "The Wizard of Oz" on Friday, March 1st at 9:15 am. Performances for the public will be Friday, March 1st at 7:00 pm and Saturday, March 2nd at 7:00 pm. in the Lourdes High School Auditorium.

## **Community News**

Weekly Bulletin deadline is Friday, 5pm; email correspondence to officemgr@rescathroch.org.

**SAVE THE DATES:** Tuesdays, March 12 and 19 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm at the Co-Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist Fr. Tom Knoblach of the Diocese of St. Cloud will offer presentations on the following topics:

March 12, 2019; "Dying to Go Home: Medical Decisions in Serious Illness in the Catholic Tradition." This session will review Catholic teaching on these and other questions about Catholic teaching on medical technology and the frontiers of life, advance directives, pain management, and related topics.

March 19, 2019; "The Possible and the Ethical: Catholic Thought on Emerging Bioethical Questions," This session will provide some indications on how to think about emerging developments in bioethics including genetic engineering, cloning, opioids, organ transplantation and IVF. Fr. Tom earned a doctorate in healthcare ethics from St. Louis University, serves on the Life, Family, and Health Care Committee of the Minnesota Catholic Conference and is vice-chair of the Board of Directors of St. Cloud Hospital. Please join us for each presentation. The format will allow time for questions and answers as well as a break for discussion and refreshments. Questions: call St. Johns at 288-7372.

Communion Ministers are needed for Hospital patients. We are looking for people to commit to be Communion ministers once per month for about two hours each time for patients at either Saint Marys or Methodist Hospital Campuses. For more information contact Fr. Evans, Mayo Clinic Chaplain Services, at 255-5780 or <a href="mailto:evans.john@mayo.edu">evans.john@mayo.edu</a>. Thank you.

#### Readings for the week of February 24, 2019

Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 [8a]/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38

Monday: Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40 [cf. 5]/

Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: Sir 4:11-19/Ps 119:165, 168, 171, 172, 174, 175 [165a]/Mk 9:38-40

Thursday: Sir 5:1-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [40:5a]/Mk 9:41-50 Friday: Sir 6:5-17/Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35 [35a]/

Mk 10:1-12

Saturday: Sir 17:1-15/Ps 103:13-14, 15-16, 17-18 [cf. 17]/Mk

10:13-16

## **Liturgical Ministries**

#### Weekend of Mar 2nd/3rd

Eric Vareberg, Cameron Vareberg

#### **Altar Servers**

11:30 am

8:00 pm	Joseph Palen, Adam Sellner
8:30 am	Chris Simonson, Avery Washnieski
10:00 am	Ryan Neppl, Ian Teshirogi

#### **Eucharistic Ministers**

8:00 pm	Bread: Walter & Patricia Max , Cup: Jane & Rick Haeflinger, Kim Shimak-Hansen, Liz Hanson, Patricia Schoenfelder, Judith Pelowski
8:30 am	Bread: Jacob Koster, Denise Koster, Donna Weber Kathryn Fitzgerald, Dianne Plager, Cup: LeeAnn Mueller, John-Howard Carroll, Deb Rowekamp, Laura Rud, Patrice Steier,George Klann
10:00 am	Bread: Jerome & Elaine Garry, Lynn Gaber, Vince Meyer, Joseph Kostick, Cup: Brenda & Gary Tschann, Mary Stettler, Regina Boehmke, Gloria Flicek, Richard Streit
11:30 am	Bread: Lynette Lenoch, Rebecca Woodcock, Cup: Bob Voss, Karen Reopelle, Marianne Aksamit, NOT FILLED 3x
Lectors	

Micki Miller, Patricia Rossman

Esther Connelly, Elizabeth Winegarden

John O'Meara

Sharyn Voss

#### Lectors 8:00 pm

8:30am

10:00 am

11:30 am

Greeters	
8:00 pm	NOT FILLED 2x
8:30 am	Tom Brown, David & Marlys Gathje
10:00 am	Darci & Peter Kopischke, <b>NOT FILLED</b>
11:30 am	NOT FILLED 2x
Ushers	
8:00 pm	Greg Hansen, Reilyn Schoenfelder, John Schoenfelder
8:30 am	Eric Ladin, J.R. Miller, Kenneth Mueller, Albert Weber
10:00 am	Jacob Maronde, Jim Sinn, William Sullivan, Lee Witter
11:30 am	Tyler Schoenfelder, Jeff Schoenfelder, Joel Schoenfelder

#### **Sacristans**

8:00 pm	Judith Pelowski
8:30 am	Nancy Hass
10:00 am	Brett Maronde
11:30 am	Bob Voss

### **Weekly Calendar**

Monday, February 25th

Praying in Color Learning Centers 4:00 -7:00 pm Heart of Trinity Prayer Group 7:00 pm

Tuesday, February 26th

St. Vincent de Paul Society 7:00 pm Knights of Columbus 7:00 pm

Wednesday, February 27th

Food for Friends Faith Formation Classes Grs 6-10 6:30 pm

St. Cecelia Singers Practice 7:00 pm

Thursday, February 28th

Children Choir Practice 6:00 pm Adult Choir Practice 7:00 pm

Saturday, March 2nd

Society of Divine Mercy Monastery

Prayer Group 6:30 am Cantor Workshop 9:00 am Sunday, March 3rd Faith Sharing Groups

11am & 4:30 pm

Monday, March 4th

1st Communion Parent/Child Learning Centers 4:00 -7:00 pm Heart of Trinity Prayer Group 7:00 pm

## **Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel**



"When you look at the Crucifix, you understand how much lesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host you understand how much Jesus loves you now." Mother Teresa

**Hours of Need** call Tim Fague at 507-288-6578 to sign up. \* 2nd adorer hours.

For weather closings, check KROC.com or KTTC.com.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 am*	12 am*	12 am*	12 am*	11 am*	3 am*	12 am*
3 pm*	2 am	1 am*	7 am*	1 pm	10 am	3 am
8 pm*	3 am*	3 am	10 am	3 pm*	12 pm*	4 am
	4 am	4 am	1 pm*	7 pm*	1 pm	5 am*
	10 am*	5 am*	3 pm*	11 pm*	2 pm*	11 am*
	10 pm*	6 am*			11 pm*	1 pm*
						3 pm
						4 pm*
						9 pm*



Food for Friends Quilts/blankets - We did it. Enough quilts/blankets were made for the children in our Food for Friends food program to each receive a blanket (120!). Thank you to our parishioners for stepping up in giving your time and talents to this project. Jane and Mike Mueller donated 25 of these blankets. The children were in awe! We started our day by having all the blankets blessed and praying for the children during the Feb 14th Mass. Then they were transported over to the

school and the children chose their blanket along with picking up their food bag. Thank you to Cindy Landherr, chair for Food for Friends. This month's food shelf collection will be soup and crackers.









**CEO Rochester Catholic Evangelization Outreach** Join us Friday, March 15th, 7:00 pm to hear Susan Windley Daoust share her story of the healing of her body and soul that she never expected. Light refreshments will follow.

Childcare will be provided. No cost, no registration, and all are welcome.



Susan Windley-Daoust, our diocese's Director of Missionary Discipleship, was working on a doctorate in Theology at a major university when she woke up one day with complete hearing loss in one ear and a diagnosis that the other ear was likely to fail soon. She couldn't read herself out of this trial. Guess who showed up? The Holy Spirit. Come listen to Susan as

she shares her story of the healing of her body and soul that she never expected.





## Musings from Joy

Music and Choral Director & Coordinator of Liturgy choirdirector@rescathroch.org.

#### Ministers to Sung Worship: The Choir

Over the next several weeks, I will be sharing with you an article from the National Association of Pastoral Musicians on "The Choir." I ask each of you to reflect on its message and pray about whether or not Music Ministry may be something you want to try!

"When congregational singing was introduced into the celebration of the Sunday liturgy in the 1960s, many musicians, clergy, and ordinary Catholics thought that there would no longer be a need for choirs. As it turned out, however, choirs are more needed than ever. Liturgical documents highlight the choir's ministry, and pastoral experience has demonstrated the choir's importance in supporting and leading the singing of the whole assembly. In fact, many parishes today boast a variety of choirs that sing music in various styles. In addition to the standard mixed-voice adult choir, there are Gospel choirs, contemporary music ensembles, children's choirs, youth choirs, funeral choirs, and family choirs."

As you can see, Resurrection has a group for several of the various choirs suggested by this post. What Mass do you most often frequent? Do you hear the Adult Choir regularly at the 8:30am Mass? What about the Family Folk Group at 8pm? Our various young voices minister at 10am, and our new, contemporary St. Cecilia Singers are at 11:30am. Do you prefer when a choir leads the singing, or when it is a cantor alone? How do you feel about seeing a mix of generations in the choir area at a given Mass?

If you have any thoughts on these, feel free to email me! Next week, the article will highlight the choir's various musical responsibilities during Mass.

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#### Ian Callanan in Concert

<u>UPDATE</u>: I spoke with Ian last week, and he is VERY excited to meet you all in a few short weeks! If you have any questions, or are eager to help volunteer on the day, please reach out to me!



On Saturday, March 9th, at 2pm, we will be hosting Ian Callanan in concert here at Resurrection. Ian is one of Ireland's leading composers of liturgical music. Ian is well known for his ability to get people excited about being music ministers. This event is free and open to the public. A free will offering will be taken up and fellowship will follow the concert.

Feel free to look him up on YouTube for a taste of what is to come: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCl\_SJVPiLGi\_hOeu\_QLbvRQ

## **Mass Intentions**

Mon.,	Feb. 25th	8:30 am	Special Intention
Tues.,	Feb. 26th	8:30 am	Reparation of Sins
Wed.,	Feb. 27th	8:30 am	†Ann Lehnertz
Thurs.,	Feb. 28th	8:30 am	†Jay Higgins
Fri.,	Mar. 1st	8:30 am	Priests in Diocese
Sat.,	Mar. 2nd	8:00 pm	†Matthew Hanson
Sun.,	Mar. 3rd	8:30 am	†Norma Krantz
		10:00 am	For the Parish
		11:30 am	†Esther Kluender

#### Financial Blessings February 17th

Church Support	\$5,303
Capital Projects	
Children's Collection	\$49
EFT Church Support	\$12,368
EFT Capital Projects	
On Line Giving Church	\$125

# Dedication Candles February 23rd-March 2nd

- 1. †Matthew Hanson
- 2. †Ann Lehnertz



#### Journey into God—Experience the Pathway for Personal Growth at Assisi Heights Spirituality Center Consider a deepening of your spiritual journey

during the Lenten season. St. Bonaventure, the Seraphic Doctor of the Church, Franciscan, scholar and artistic visionary, outlined a pathway and journey into God. Come and experience these dynamic sessions which includes input on the life and writings of St. Bonaventure, media and experiences of ritual and prayer.

This three part series will take you on a journey of faith, leading into a profound outline of how a person can more deeply enter into the life of the Trinity (Creator, Christ and Spirit). A blueprint or pattern will assist you in a creative, experiential and prayerful movement with a guide. The life of St. Bonaventure will guide participants on this journey. Media selections of Bonaventure's writings and group experiences will be highlighted.

Presenter is Sr. Briana McCarthy, OSF, LPCC, a retired licensed professional clinical counselor and educator. The study of St. Bonaventure has been a passion of Sr. Briana for years.

Dates: Mondays, March 11, 18th & 25th from 6:30-8:30 pm. Assisi Heights Spirituality Center. Call 507 280 2195 or go to ahsc@rochesterfranciscan.org to register. Cost is \$30 for three sessions and the book, Journey into God.

## **Faith Formation**



News from Sheila, Birth-KG, Children's Ministry, RCIA, dresscm@rescathroch.org or 288-5528 x 101 Today Sunday School students heard a story about David the shepherd boy. The children learned that King Saul did not like David and wished him great harm, even death. David always tried to live in God's way, being ready to forgive others and being kind even when people treated him badly. David showed love and mercy to his enemy King Saul, which changed Saul's heart. Let us pray that when we show love and mercy to our enemies that God can work to change the hardest of hearts. Lord, help us to be brave and merciful like David, who was ready to forgive his enemy and show him a new way. Give us the courage and strength to do what we know is right. St. John Bosco pray for us. Amen!



News from Stacey, Grades 1-5, Family Ministry, dre1to5fm@rescathroch.org or 288-5528 x 108 **Grades 1-5:** All the children from the parish in grades 1-5 and their families are welcome to participate in the Praying in Color Learning Centers on Monday, February 25th. The centers will be open from 4:00-7:00pm in the classrooms and Fr. Zenk Hall. If you want to learn a new way to pray, this is a fun, interactive, and engaging way to talk with God. Although the learning centers are created for elementary children, adults can benefit from this experience. All are welcome!

**Totus Tuus at Resurrection:** For children entering 1st-6th grades this summer, Totus Tuus will be the week of July 8-12, 9:00am-2:30pm M-F. Registration forms are in the Gathering Space and on our website.

First Communion: Parent/child Learning Centers for children preparing for their First Communion is on Monday, March 4th. Centers will be open 4:00-7:00pm in Fr. Zenk Hall and will take about an hour to complete. Please bring your child's completed workbook and a small photo of your child if you haven't turned one in yet.

Virtues in Practice: February has been the month of cheerfulness and St. Philip Neri has been a great example. Continuing with his story, we learn that he was ordained a priest in 1551. He often heard confessions, and helped many people with his wisdom, warmth, and compassion. St. Philip kept a bible and a joke book by his bed. He hung a little sign on his door that said "The House of Christian Mirth." He said, "Christian joy is a gift from God flowing from a good conscience." Many came to know Christ through the cheerfulness of St Philip Neri. St. Philip Neri, pray for us. Amen.



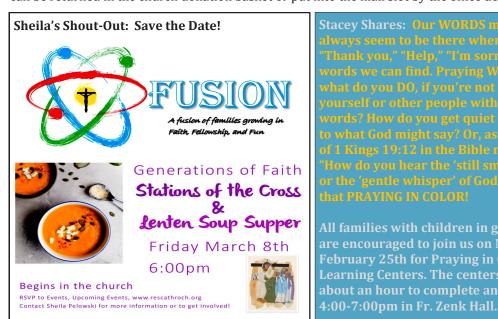
News from Ryan, Grades 6-12, Youth Ministry, youth@rescathroch.org or 288-5528 x 104 March's Unite Mass will be held at Pax Christi on Saturday, March 9th from 4:30-8:00 pm. To RSVP, go to the website uniterochestermn.org/masses. All youth are welcome and we look forward to seeing you there!

Spark Night Last week our middle school students helped out Operation Hometown Gratitude by painting rocks for a rock garden at a base in Kuwait. I think they turned out great and I'm sure our troops will be excited to see a bit of color out in the desert!



Steubenville Youth Conference Registration for Steubenville has begun!

All youth of the parish entering or leaving High School are welcome to join with their peers to attend the conference which will feature music, prayer and speakers including Jason Evert! Registration is \$190. Email Ryan Van Dyke for a registration form that can be returned in the church donation basket or put into the mail slot by the office door.



Sybil MacBeth All families with children in grades 1-5 are encouraged to join us on Monday, February 25th for Praying in Color **Learning Centers. The centers take** about an hour to complete and are open