

December 15th 2019 Third Sunday of Advent

An Ever-growing Eucharistic Community Boldly Serving Others Through Gods Love

Mass Schedule

Saturday 8:00 pm Sunday 8:30, 10:30 am Daily Mass 8:30 am - Mon-Fri

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 6:45-7:45 pm

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Monday-Friday 8:10 am, Saturday 7:30 pm <u>Perpetual Adoration</u> 24 hrs - 7 days a week

Office Hours Mon-Fri 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

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Weekly Words from The Rock

Our next series of questions comes from David Peach. It is entitled "20 Bible Quiz Questions About the Life of Jesus." After a week of reflecting upon the first ten questions, here are the answers.

Question 1: Who ordered the census which brought Joseph and Mary to Bethlehem?

Answer: Caesar Augustus (Luke 2:1)

Question 2: Where did Joseph, Mary and Jesus live? Answer: Nazareth (Luke 2:3)

Question 3: What type of work did Joseph (Jesus' earthly father) do?

Answer: Carpenter (Matthew 13:55)

Question 4: How old was Jesus when He first taught in the temple?

Answer: Twelve (Luke 2:42-47)

Question 5: How long was it before Joseph and Mary discovered Jesus was missing?

Answer: After one day they knew He was missing. It took a total of three days to find him. (Luke 2:42-47)

Question 6: Where was Jesus baptized and by whom? Answer: In the Jordan River by John the Baptist. (Matthew 3:13-17)

Question 7: What were the three temptations that Satan gave to Jesus?

Answer: A. Satan asked him to turn the stones into bread: (Matthew 4:3). B. To prove that He was invincible:

(Matthew 4:5-6). C. To worship Satan for the purpose of having the kingdoms of the world given to him: (Matthew 4:8-9).

Question 8: Who was the first disciple to come to Jesus in John 1?

Answer: Andrew, Simon Peter's brother and one of John the Baptist's disciples. (John 1:40)

Question 9: What was the first recorded miracle of Jesus?

Answer: Changing of water into wine at Cana. (John 2:1-11)

Question 10: Whom did Jesus call the "generation of vipers?"

Answer: At various times the scribes, Pharisees, and Sadducees. Sometimes separately, sometimes together. Pharisees and Sadducees: Matthew 3:7; Pharisees: Matthew 12:34; Scribes and Pharisees: Mathew 23:33

Next Ten Questions

Continuing with the "20 Bible Quiz Questions About the Life of Jesus," here are the next ten questions.

Question 11: What was Jesus doing when the disciples were scared during a storm on the sea?

Question 12: How long had Lazarus been dead when Jesus brought him back to life?

Question 13: What was the reaction of the people after Jesus cast the legion of demons into the swine?

Question 14: Jesus said, "Get behind me Satan" to which disciple?

Question 15: Who anointed Jesus' feet with an expensive perfume and then dried His feet with her hair?

Question 16: How many people did Jesus raise from the dead?

Question 17: How many loaves of bread and fish did Jesus use to feed the 5,000 in John 6?

Question 18: Which disciple refused to allow Jesus to wash his feet?

Question 19: In whose new tomb was Jesus buried?

Question 20: What was Jesus' final command to the disciples before ascending to heaven?

Good luck! I will provide the answers next week.

God's blessings: Fr. Schuster pastor@rescathroch.org

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

Liturgical Ministries Dec 21st/22nd

If unable to fulfill your ministry as scheduled, please find a substitute. Thank you.

Ministry Schedule as of December 3rd, 2019

Altar Servers

8:00 pm Adam Sellner, Nate Spors 8:30 am Seth Maday, Dylan Maday 10:30 am Avery Davis, Lilly Davis

Lectors

8:00 pm Michelle Wald 8:30 am Bryan Pierskalla, Martin Cormack 10:30 am Lynette Lenoch, Denise Kelly

Greeters

8:00 pm Eileen King, NOT FILLED
8:30 am Chuck Radloff, Clara Radloff,
Ladin Family
10:30 am Jennifer Foy, Bob Voss

Eucharistic Ministers

8:00 pm Bread: Steven Gronseth (1) Liz Hanson (2), Cup: Patricia Schoenfelder (1), Debbie Olson (2), Theresa Root (3), Judith Pelowski (4), Mary Meine (5), NOT FILLED (6)

8:30 am Bread: Deb Rowekamp - LG, Charlotte Robinet (1), Christine Dvorak (2), Jerry Krantz (3), Joan Miller (4), Dianne Plager (5), Cup: Laura Rud (1), LeeAnn Mueller (2), Eugene Nolan (3), Donna Weber (4), Nancy Hass (5), Ellen Harford (6) 10:30 am Bread: Joseph Kostick - LG, Richard Streit (1), Leonida Crawley (2), Karen Reopelle (3), John Wurst (4),

Karen Reopelle (3), John Wurst (4), Brett Maronde (5), Cup: Arlys Leitzen (1), Daniel J McCormick (2), Jackie O'Connell (3), Shannon Weick (4), Char Stocker (5), Regina Boehmke (6

Ushers

8:00 pm Fred Noser, eff Schoenfelder,
Joel Schoenfelder
8:30 am Tom Brown, J.R. Miller,
Kenneth Mueller, Albert Weber
10:30 am Aaron Davis, Carter Davis,
Mick Garvey, William Sullivan

Sacristans

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

If you or your family members are interested in becoming a Liturgical Minister, please contact Joy Viceroy at joyv@rescathroch.org.

Adoration is Exciting!!



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"The more time you spend in Adoration discovering that God is a God who loves you and wants to spend time with you, the more your begin to

actually want to go. If Adoration once felt like a chore, you might even find yourself becoming excited to go! Adoration is addictive, not just because of the things we can gain for ourselves, but because we were created to adore as we say in the Mass, it is "right and just" that we should give thanks to the Lord! Adoration is imprinted on our hearts and "our hearts are restless until they find our rest in Him!" (Thanks, St. Augustine!). Information from catholic-link.org. - 10 Surprising things that happen when you go to adoration more often. written by Ruth Baker.)

Contact Tim Fague at 507-288-6578 to sign up for Perpetual Eucharistic adoration.

Parish Events

Opportunity to Strengthen Our Community Through Family Promise Rochester



Family Promise Rochester is a non-profit organization that helps homeless and low-income families in our community become independent. Family Promise Rochester deeply appreciates the amazing dedication that our church partners (like Resurrection) show during each of their hosting weeks. If you are one of our amazing Family Promise volunteers, thank you for making a difference in the lives of our families. If you have yet to become a Family Promise Rochester volunteer, reach out to Luann Borst at llaa4@icloud.com or familypromisepax@gmail.com). Simple service like: driving a van or

spending time can have a huge impact for the children and families we serve!

2020 Host weeks: Jan 12th - Jan 18th, April 19th - April 25th, Oct 18th - Oct 24th, Dec 13th - Dec 19th;

Upcoming Training Session: Jan 5th 11:45am (free lunch) at Mount Olive Lutheran Church 2830 18th Ave NW.



Coping with Grief during the Holidays

Create a new tradition in memory of your loved one.

- •Play your loved one's favorite holiday music.
- Put out a photo table with photos of your loved one at holiday celebrations past.
- •Light a candle in church or offer a mass intention in memory of your loved one.

For more suggestions, please check the Gathering Space for the complete handout. Information provided by Resurrection Bereavement Ministry Team & Seasons Hospice. Next Grieving with Great Hope sessions begin Tuesday evenings, February 4 through March 3. Please check the parish website for further information or stop by the church office.



Radiance: Young adults ages 18 - 40 from all parishes.

Radiance is a quiet hour of prayer followed by an evening of socializing. Join us from 7-8 pm for adoration in front of the Blessed Sacrament every 3rd Friday of the month at Church of

the Resurrection Adoration Chapel. Feel free to bring prayer materials. At the conclusion of the hour of prayer, we hang out to play games, go out for appetizers, or other social outings! Check our their website rochestercatholicmn.org or contact Dana Petricka (dana.petricka@paxchristichurch.org) for further information.

Resurrection's office will be closed from 12:15 to 3:00 pm on Wednesday, Dec 18th.

Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered on Wednesday, Dec 18th from 7:30 - 8:15 am; Thursday, December 19th from 5:00- 6:15 pm., Saturday, December 22nd, 6:45-7:45 pm

Christmas Mass Schedule is as follows: Tuesday, December 24th 4:00 pm (there will be no Mass offered in Zenk Hall, but will be live streamed from the sanctuary),6:00 pm and 10 pm; Wednesday, December 25th, 9:00 am

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God, Wednesday, January 1st 9:00 am.

Stop by the Resurrection Giving Tree located in the Gathering Space where you will find tags for items to support Family Promise and monetary tags to support Resurrection's Elder Care Ministry.





Operation Hometown Gratitude is excited to announce that Church of the Resurrection will again be packing and shipping boxes to our service men and women serving overseas Sun., Feb. 9th. Please consider this

opportunity for your used books and magazines. Fill a box and keep it until January when the display will be in the Gathering Space.

At Resurrection This Week			
Mon-Fri Saturday Sunday	Rosary 8:10 am; Mass 8:30 amRosary 7:30 pm; Mass 8:00 pmMass 8:30 am & 10:30 am	Perpetual Adoration 7 Days a Week 24 Hours a Day	
Monday 16 Dec	 Faith Formation Gr 1-5 4:30/6:00 pm RCIA 6:00 pm Heart of Trinity Prayer Group 7:00 pm 	Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [4]/Mt 21:23-27	
Tuesday 17 Dec	• St. Francis School Christmas Concert 7:00 pm Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:1-1		
Wednesday 18 Dec	 Sacrament of Reconciliation 7:30-8:15 am Adult Sunday Scripture 9:00 am/6:30 pm Food for Friends Packing 4:30 pm Faith Formation Classes Gr 6-10, 6:00 pm Choir Practice 6:30 pm 	Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:18-2	
Thursday 19 Dec	 Adult Bible Timeline Study 9:00 am/6:30 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation 5:00 - 6:15 pm Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-10-17 [cf. 8]/Lk 1:5-25		
Friday 20 Dec	• Serran Board Meeting 9:15 am • Radiance Adoration 7:00 pm Social Hour 8:00 pm Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 7c and 10b]/Lk 1:26-38		
Saturday 21 Dec	Sanctuary of Divine Mercy Monastery 6:30 am Sacrament of Reconciliation 6:45 - 7:45 pm	Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 [1a; 3a]/Lk 1:39-4	
Sunday 22 Dec		Is 7:10-14/ Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [7c, 10b]/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-2	

Fourth Annual Pro-life "Peace in the womb" Christmas caroling to bring the message of HOPE, JOY, and PEACE of Christmas to the "darkness" of abortion clinics will be held at Planned Parenthood at 1212 7th St. NW, Rochester, (Northgate Shopping Center) on Sunday, Dec. 15, from 1-2 PM on the public sidewalk in front of PP. Parking is permitted only on side streets or behind the shopping center, since we are not there to conduct business. Song sheets will be provided. All interested persons (men, women, and children) are invited to attend. You and your voice will be very much appreciated.

Dedication Candles

Dec 14th - Dec 21st

- 1. †Matthew Hanson
- 2. †Archie Asleson



St. Joseph 2020 Missals are available in the Gathering Space. Cost is \$4.00



Musical Musings from Joy

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

Happy Gaudete Sunday!

Here is a brief reminder of why we specially mark this weekend:

"The third Sunday of Advent is called 'Gaudete' Sunday (coming from the first word of the Latin Entrance Antiphon for this day, meaning 'Rejoice') and the liturgical color may be rose instead of purple. This is the Church's way of further heightening our expectation as we draw ever nearer to the Solemnity of Christmas" (Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and the General Roman Calendar 42). In addition to the rose-colored candle, priests may even be seen wearing rose-colored vestments.



This weekend is usually the most light-hearted of the Advent season, we are rejoicing at the coming of the Lord. John the Baptist makes another appearance, and the first reading even tells us that the "steppe will rejoice and bloom" (Isaiah 35: 1). A "steppe" can be likened to a desert. Even the deserts will bloom at the coming of the Lord!



What is your favorite way to prepare for Christmas during this season of Advent? Do you have a favorite song or reading? How will you make Gaudete Sunday even more special this year?

Mass Intentions

Mon	Dec 16	8:30 am	Special Intention
Tues	Dec 17	8:30 am	†Helen Hanson
Wed	Dec 18	8:30 am	†John Neylon
Thu	Dec 19	8:30 am	†Frances Vogt
Fri	Dec 20	8:30 am	†Lori Powers
Sat	Dec 21	8:00 pm	†Matthew Hanson
Sun	Dec 22	8:30 am	For the Parish
Sun	Dec 2	10:30am	†Don Davis

St. Francis School News

There will be an all school Advent Prayer Service on Monday, December 16 at 2:15 pm.

The weekly all school Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, December 17 at 9:15 am.

The monthly HERO assembly will be held on Tuesday, December 17 at 1:20 pm.

The annual St. Francis of Assisi School Christmas Concert will be held on Tuesday, December 17 at 6:30 pm at Church of the Resurrection.

Grades 3-8 will celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation on Thursday, Dec. 19 at 1:30 pm.



As winter chills settle in, the Rochester Community Warming Center facilitated by your Catholic Charities plans to open doors on December 15th. Please consider an Advent project

on behalf of the homeless in Rochester. Even a few "needed items" will change lives as we let those in need know... the Inn is open for them!! God bless your compassionate generosity on behalf of those we serve. For donations and volunteer opportunities, contact Catholic Charities in Rochester for more information: 507-287-2047.

Monetary donations can be made online on the Rochester Community Warming Center web pagewww.ccsomn.org Mayo Clinic is matching up to \$25,000).

Faith Formation



News from Stacey, Grades 1-5, Family Ministry, dre1to5fm@rescathroch.org or 288-5528 x108

Grades 1-5: This weekend we light the three candles, two purple ones and the rose one, which stands for joy. On Monday, December 16th, our children will be celebrating Advent together during their 4:30 and 6:00pm classes. We will be watching Charlie Brown's Christmas at both times. We will not have classes on Monday, December 23rd and Monday, December 30th.

Classes start up again on Monday, January 6th.

First Reconciliation: We had 29 children receive the sacrament of reconciliation at our parish communal penance service last week. It was a wonderful evening for all their families. Next, the children will be preparing for their First Communion in April. The parent meeting for preparing for First Communion will be on Monday, January 20th at 6:30pm in Fr. Zenk Hall.



Virtues in Practice: During the month of December, we have been learning about purity and our saint is Dominic Savio. Before his First Holy Communion, St. Dominic Savio made four promises to keep himself pure:

- (1) I will keep Sundays and Holy Days holy. (2) Jesus and Mary will be my best friends. (3) I will go to Confession often and receive Communion as often as I can.
- (4) Death before sin. St. Dominic is a saint that we can all learn from and try to imitate his virtue of keeping his soul pure and avoiding sin.
- St Dominic Savio, pray for us! Amen.



News from Sheila, Birth-KG; Grades 6-12, Children and Youth Ministry, RCIA dresscm@rescathroch.org or 288-5528, x 101

Sunday School: Stay after 10:30 am Mass in the church for a brief and entertaining Christmas concert by our Sunday School students!



On Wednesday, December 4th, our Open Door Faith Formation night was blessed with a concert from the Bella Fiore girls choir. The songs reminded us of the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and to embrace the winter season with joy and warmth.



Open Door Night! 6-8th grade students explored what the four marks of our church are - we are *one*, *holy*, *catholic*, and *apostolic*. Students explored church teaching through various interactive and engaging activities. Here we see three students linked together sending a hula hoop down a line without breaking their connection. We are all united as one church and must work together to achieve our goal, eternal life in the Kingdom of God.

