

CHURCH OF THE
RESURRECTION
CATHOLIC CHURCH

**"Receive the Holy
Spirit" John 20:19-23**

**May 31st, 2020
Pentecost Sunday**

An Ever-growing Eucharistic Community Boldly Serving Others Through God's Love

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Wednesdays: 5:30-6:30 pm
Saturdays: 10:00 - 11:00 am

Church doors are opened from
7:00am - 7:00 pm daily. Stop in for
prayer. Please respect the 6 feet
distance between people.

Sunday Mass can be viewed on our
website: rescathroch.org.



Weekly Words from The Rock

My Catholic Life has a series of questions and answers on the Catholic Faith. It can be found at the site "Catholic Questions and Answers: Questions and Answers from My Catholic Life!" I am going to share with you some of their questions and answers in the weeks ahead.

Q. If Adam and Eve didn't eat the fruit, would Jesus still die on the cross?

A. No. Jesus' death was because of our sin. Therefore, had sin never entered the world, Jesus would not have had to die. This question, however, can only be answered in a "theoretical" way since Adam, Eve, and all of us did sin.

Though this question is difficult to answer in a short and simplified way, let's consider an analogy. Let's say that your parents ate poison. The result of this poison is death. The only cure for this poison is to receive a transfusion of new and healthy blood from someone not affected. By analogy, you could say that Jesus entered the world without any effects of this "poison" so that He could offer the divine "transfusion" to Adam and Eve and all their descendants affected by the poison of sin. Thus, the blood of Jesus is what heals us as we receive this blood poured forth from the Sacrifice of the Cross. We receive His saving blood by accepting Him into our lives, especially through the Sacraments and faith.

But this question brings up another more interesting question. If Adam and Eve (and all us who descended from them) never sinned, would God the Son have become human? Would He have taken on human flesh through the Incarnation by the Virgin Mary? Though the death of Jesus was on account of our sin, His Incarnation (becoming human) was not solely so that He could die for our sin. The Catechism of the Catholic Church explains that one of the primary reasons for His Incarnation was "in order to save us by reconciling us with God," but it also identifies three other reasons: "so that thus we might know God's

love" "to be our model of holiness"; and "to make us 'partakers of the divine nature'" (See CCC #457-460). Therefore, it is speculated by some that even if there was no sin, God would have become flesh so as to fulfill these other effects of the Incarnation. Perhaps that's a bit deep and is only speculation, but it's beautiful to reflect upon nonetheless!

Quite a Problem for Father Schuster?

It has been a few weeks still I should tackle the question I posed in my column of May 3. The inland lakes for Iowa opened to walleye fishing the weekend of May 2-3. I had an invitation to fish off a man's dock on Spirit Lake. Here were some of the musings going through my mind:

-Should I go? After all, it is about 180 miles one way.

-In determining the answer to the above question one should ask, when does the best bite occur fishing off a dock? The best bite occurs at sunset and into the night. Thus, one might have to fish till midnight then make the 180 mile drive home.

-Should I purchase a one day, five day or yearly license?

-With so many people fishing on a dock, I considered pulling my boat. Do the math. The gas mileage one gets while pulling a boat is 11 miles per gallon at best. To make 360 miles, I would need 33 gallons of fuel. My pickup holds 26 gallons so at some point during the trip I would have to stop and fuel up.

So what happened? In the end, I chose not to go. I just felt it was too far to drive for three hours of fishing. Wise? Foolish? I leave that to your judgment.

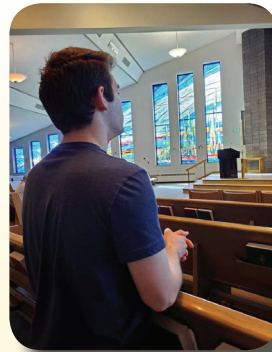
Humor: Life as a teen wasn't always easy for Jesus either.

God's blessings
Fr. Peter Schuster
Pastor

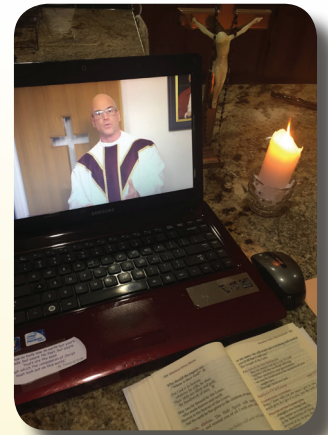




Benz's Family
Faith Filled Space
Tim, Michel, Lucas, Nathan and Abigail



Colton Garity
Time of Prayer



Patrice Steier
Morning Mass

Resurrection's Parishioners Spending time in prayer and Faith-filled Space in their homes.



Kristina Kurtz's
Prayer Corner



Mary Amiot's
Faith filled Space



The Pelowski Family's
Altar
Ely, Sheia, Felix, Stella, Claudia

Parish News

We are need of some face masks to have on hand. If you are willing to sew a few, let us know by calling the office 507 288 5528.

Parish office will once again be open to the public beginning Monday, June 8th. Only two visitors will be allowed in the office at one time. We would ask others to remain outside the office area and maintain a social distance of six feet. If you need to make an appointment to meet with one of the staff, please call the parish office at 507-288-5528.

In this time of Covid 19, if you are in need of someone with whom to speak, please contact the parish office to set up an appointment with Fr. Schuster or Fr. Shawn.

Our church is opened from 7am - 7pm to stop in for prayer. Sunday Mass can be viewed on our website www.rescathroch.org.

St. Joseph Sunday Missals are in the Gathering Space available to purchase. Suggested price is \$4.00

Sacrament of Reconciliation Wednesday evenings 5:30 - 6:30 pm; Saturday mornings 10:00 - 11:00 am
Once public Mass is being offered, we will be in need of people to help sanitize the church after daily Mass. Please contact the church office if you are willing to help with this cleaning.



5th Sunday collection for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul ministry

This weekend will be the 5th Sunday second collection for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul ministry. Our Society thanks our Resurrection families who support us through monetary contributions, food, furniture and prayers.

Vincentian Spirituality's Mission is a network of friends, inspired by Gospel values, growing in holiness and building a more just world through personal relationships with and service to people in need. Our identity statement is inspired by Gospel values which leads women and men to join together to grow spiritually by offering person to person service to those who are needy and suffering. The central and most basic activity has been the visitation of the needy in their homes. It symbolizes our Vincentian commitment to reach out to the needy in their home to entrust their stories of struggle. In that family setting, Vincentians are asked to listen, offer humble advice and render assistance. If you are interested in more information or to become a member of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, contact Tim O'Callaghan, president of Resurrection's council, at tim.ocallag@gmail.com. Society of St. Vincent de Paul is not meeting onsite, but as soon as we are able to meet, our meetings are held the second and fourth Tuesday of each month starting at 7:00 pm in Room C. When we start meeting onsite again, you are welcome to stop in and spend an evening with us to learn more about serving the needy in the Rochester area.

Food donations can be dropped in the grocery cart located in the Gathering Space. Our food needs are pasta sauce, pasta, peanut butter, cereal, cans of tuna or chicken, bags of dried bean, rice and children's snack food. If you have furniture or household items you would like to donate, please call the office. We can only accept food at the church.

Weekly Readings

Monday

1

June

Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34

"It is finished."

Tuesday

2

June

2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18/Ps 90:2, 3-4, 10, 14 and 16 [1]/Mk 12:13-17

"Well then, pay to the Emperor what belongs to the Emperor, and pay to God what belongs to God."

Wednesday

3

June

2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12/Ps 123:1b-2ab, 2cdef [1b]/Mk 12:18-27

"He is the Ogd of the living, not of the dead."

Thursday

4

June

2 Tm 2:8-15/Ps 4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 [4]/Mk 12:28-34

"You are not far from the Kingdom of God."

Friday

5

June

2 Tm 3:10-17/Ps 119:157, 160, 161, 165, 166, 168 [165a]/Mk 12:35-37

"How can the teachers of the law say that the Messiah will be a descendant of David?"

Saturday

6

June

2 Tm 4:1-8/Ps 71:8-9, 14-15ab, 16-17, 22 [cf. 15ab]/Mk 12:38-44

"She gave all she had to live on."

Sunday

7

June

Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56 [52b]/2 Cor 13:11-13/
Jn 3:16-18

"Whoever believes in him will not be condemned, but whoever does not believe has already been condemned."

2020

Catholic Ministries Appeal

Church of the Resurrection's Goal \$82,000
As of MAY 15th Received and/or pledged: \$66,313
Difference (\$15,387)

The ministries and outreach supported by the Appeal are, *Catholic Schools, Life, Marriage and Family, TV Mass, Youth Ministry and Permanent Diaconate.*



**CATHOLIC
FOUNDATION**
of Southern Minnesota

Mass Intentions

Private Daily Masses will be offered
by Fr. Schuster/Fr. Shawn for the
Mass intention below

Mon., Jun 1st	8:30 am †Doris Curley
Tues., Jun 2nd	8:30 am †Julie Cravath
Wed., Jun 3rd	8:30 am †Mildred Dee
Thurs. Jun 4th	8:30 am †Beverly Scovill
Fri., Jun 5th	8:30 am †Clarence Meyer
Sat., Jun 6th	8:00 pm †Joseph Lutgen
Sun., Jun 7th	8:30 am †Dennis Bernacki 10:30 am For the Parish

Rochester Catholic School News

Despite our inability to congregate at our regular school Masses as a Rochester Catholic Schools community, our faith remains at the foundation of our education. The teachers of RCS have continued to incorporate the message of the church in their daily lessons. Spotlighting saints, daily prayers, faith-based activity sheets, focusing on the Beatitudes, and a system-wide Baccalaureate Mass are only a few of the many ways that Jesus Christ continues to be prominent in our daily routine. Our collective belief has carried us through these last few months and will continue to guide us through the weeks and months ahead.

Recently, St. Francis of Assisi School principal Barb Plenge shared the following message with her school community. It is a message that speaks to how our Catholic foundation provides a stabilizing presence for our students and families.

"This year marks the 50th anniversary of the National Catholic Education Association's (NCEA) publication Momentum. Their anniversary edition took articles from the first edition 50 years ago and contrasted them with articles addressing similar topics written today. I was especially interested to see the articulation of why people would choose Catholic education (and pay for it) when they can get a good education at the public school down the street for free.

It stated what I believe and have found to be true (and the primary differentiator): Catholic schools are places where human flourishing occurs; where souls are recognized, loved, and nurtured for the eternal goal of heaven. Do we need to be academically strong? - yes, but Catholic schools offer so much more than that! We are to be communities of faith, where the Divine is seen in each person we encounter, where we journey together in faith, share the Good News of Jesus Christ, and go out into the world to use our gifts for the common good. This is why we choose Catholic schools - and in person or not - this is what we share. Thank you for continuing on this journey with us. We know that regardless of the challenges that we face, our trust in the Lord will serve as our guide along the way."

Making Catholic Education Affordable for All. It is our desire that every family seeking a quality Catholic education for their children has the opportunity to attend Rochester Catholic Schools (RCS). A quality Catholic education is an invaluable gift, one that focuses on the development of the whole child, encouraging their academic and spiritual growth to become faith-filled future leaders. At RCS, it is our goal to keep the cost of this education as low as possible to make it accessible and affordable. There are a number of ways to lower tuition, and we encourage you to visit the Tuition & Affordability page on our website at rcsmn.org. We recognize that every family's situation is unique and we are committed to working with each family to find a way of making an RCS education a reality.

Faith Formation



News from Stacey, Grades 1-5, Family Ministry, dre1to5fm@rescathroch.org

Pentecost Sunday: Pentecost is the birthday of the Church!

"When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, the Apostles, Mary and the other women were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them, tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim the mighty acts of God. They were astounded, and in amazement and asked, "How does each of us hear them in his own language?" Acts 2:1-5, 7, 11

When you are Confirmed in the Holy Spirit, you are given the Gifts of the Spirit. You will use your Gifts to share the/Fruits of the Holy Spirit.

The Fruits of the Holy Spirit are how we show God's love.

How can you use the Fruits of the Holy Spirit to show God's love to others?



News from Sheila, Birth-KG, Grades 6-12, Children and Youth Ministry,

dresscm@rescathroch.org

Resurrection Families,

Thank you to those who sent in pictures of your domestic church! Continue to send in pictures, they are very inspiring. Our domestic churches vary in space and design. It could be a prayer corner, a prayer table, a rosary hanging from your vehicle, or an image on your wall that you meditate upon. Whatever it is, snap a picture and send it in to be featured in our bulletin and keep praying!

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,

I believe that You

are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things,

and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment

receive You sacramentally,

come at least spiritually into my heart. I

embrace You as if You were already there and

unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me

to be separated from You.

Amen.

