

July 19th, 2020 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays: 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Daily Mass: 8:30 am

Weekend Mass Schuedule

Saturday 8:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am

11:00 am

Sunday Mass can be viewed on our

website: rescathroch.org

Office Hours Mon-Fri 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

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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. One of my friends asked me why I have to go to a priest to confess my sins when God already knows what I've done. Why can't I go to Him directly? And she also wanted to know how 10 or 20 Hail Mary's are going to save me? I wasn't sure how to answer, so I just said that's what we believe. What should I have said?

A. I'd say your answer is a good start! Allow me to offer a few brief thoughts.

The first thing to consider is whether or not it is good to go directly to God when we confess our sins. This is most certainly a good idea. In fact, it has always been recommended as a good daily practice just before bed. So I definitely recommend that you examine your day each night and thank God for the good things and ask forgiveness for any sins. Going directly to God each night will undoubtedly help you to grow closer to Him.

But, as Catholics, we also believe that it is essential to regularly confess our sins to God through the ministry of priests. In other words, we believe that when we go to confession and confess our sins we are actually seeking God's forgiveness, not just the priests. The priest stands as the minister of this wonderful gift of forgiveness.

So why do we do this? For one simple reason.
Because we believe it's what God wants. You may recall in John's Gospel, chapter 20, that Jesus bestowed the Holy Spirit upon his first bishops, the Apostles, and told them, "who's sins you forgive they are forgiven them." Why would Jesus give the Apostles such an incredible ability if He did not want

them to use it? Most certainly He had something important in mind when He said this. Jesus' words and actions always have great significance. By commissioning His Apostles to go and forgive sins we understand that this is the ordinary way that Jesus wants to continue to bestow His forgiveness upon us all. And He did not intend this only for them. Rather, we can see in the Acts of the Apostles and from the earliest times of the Church that this sacred power was passed on from these first Apostles to others. It was passed on to new bishops as well as those who assisted the bishops in the early Church, the priests. So it's essential that we, as followers of Jesus, be open to His gift of forgiveness in the way that He chooses to give it to us. Since He is the source of forgiveness, He can choose how to give that gift to us.

As for 10 or 20 Hail Mary's, I assume this is a reference to the penance that priests may give after confession. This is a wonderful practice to help us realize that just because we have been forgiven we have most likely not completely conquered our attraction to sin again. We need continued prayer and penance to do this. So whatever penance a priest gives is intended to help the person overcome future tendencies to sin in the same way again.

So what should you have said? I think your answer was good in that it is difficult sometimes to give accurate answers to all the different questions that arise in our life of faith. When you are not sure what to say then it may be best to simply say, "this is what we believe." But when this happens you are given a great opportunity to look deeper into the question so that you can have a better understanding of why you believe what you do.

God's blessings! Father Peter Schuster

NO MORNING MASS ON MONDAY, July 20th

OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR WALK IN VISITORS FROM 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM on Monday, July 20th.

Parish News

Resurrection's Summer 2020 Missionary Co-op. St. Mary's Mission School, Red Lake, Minnesota. "Change a Nation one saint at a time." We will be taking collection through August 2nd. Thank you for your support and please include Fr. Jerry and his Mission School community in your prayers. Checks can be written to Church of the Resurrection with a notation the funds are for St. Mary's Mission School.

The City of Rochester is asking that masks be worn in all public buildings, including churches. However, a person may have his/her mask off when seated in their pew so long as they are socially distanced. This information impacts all of us. When you leave the sanctuary, please wear your mask. If you have any other questions about these latest policies, please call the office at 507-288-5528.



Helping Hand Grocery Coupons. Our Society of St. Vincent de Paul joins HyVee by providing grocery coupons to purchase and give to needy you may encounter throughout Rochester. The coupon is \$10 and can be redeemed at any Hy-Vee store in Rochester. If you prefer not to hand them out, you can purchase them and give them back to our St. Vincent de Paul conference and

they will distribute accordingly. Stop in the office to purchase the coupons or call 507-288-5528 or email officemgr@rescathroch.org. if you can't stop in and we will mail them to you. Our office hours are Monday through Friday, 10:30 am - 3:30 pm.



Attention Catholics ages 18 - 39. Please visit the newly remodeled website at <u>rochestercatholicmn.org</u> for information on events or activities such as virtual morning prayer, virtual rosary, Faith and Sports Night. Most parishes are still looking for

volunteers to help with the celebration of Masses, so please contact your local parish to help; for Resurrection, call Michelle at 507 288-5528.

Liturgical Ministries July 25th/26th.

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

Ministry Schedule as of June 23, 2020

Lectors

8:00 pm Liz Hanson 8:00 am Patricia Rossman 11:00 am Mary Chestolowski

Greeters

8:00 pm Tara Engel NOT FILLED 8:00 am Gretchen Cutshall, Dianne Plager 11:00 am Vince Meyer, Jackie O'Connell

Ushers

8:00 pm Josh Noser, Fred Noser 8:00 am Ken Mueller, NOT FILLED 11:00 am Brett Maronde, Jacob Maronde

Sacristans

8:00 pm Judith Pelowski 8:00 am Nancy Hass 11:00 am NOT FILLED



Artwork by Kathy Saunders (granddaughter of Bob and Marsha Degnan)

Poem By Jesse Schreiber, Parishioner and 2020-2021 RCIA candidate

The Covid 19 virus came to our town. This deadly virus caused us all to be locked down.

So hopefully a vaccine will come and cure us all. You look outside but you see there's no one around.

We are all lost souls waiting to be found. When guided by God's light, his son Jesus will keep us safe and sound.

Having faith inside our hearts will help us to remain strong.
This soon will be over.
Then together we all can move on.

We have printed cards with the artwork and poem available to be picked up in the Gathering Space.



Baptism

Born to a new life in Christ and joined to our faith community through the Waters of Baptism, we welcome:

Angelo Anthony
Baptized on July 12th

Child of Anthony and Elizabeth Zucco

Rest In Peace

Let the Perpetual
Light Shine Upon Him



John Henry Survived by his wife, Virginia son, John, Jr. and family

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Into the Breach is a groundbreaking 12-episode video series from the Knights of Columbus that seeks to answer what it means to be a Catholic man in today's world. Inspired by Bishop Thomas J. Olmsted's apostolic

exhortation to Catholic men, Into the Breach tells men they are made for greatness and challenges them to achieve it by founding their lives on God and pursuing heroic virtue. Each episode explores a different aspect of authentic Catholic masculinity and features well-known Catholic speakers, as well as the personal story of a man who has deeply experienced the episode's topic in his own life. Speakers include Dr. Scott Hahn, Fr. Mike Schmitz, Jason Evert and many others. The episodes can be used for individual personal enrichment and for group discussion. This film intended for mature audiences. If you have not subscribed to Formed.org, go to our website, www.rescathroch.org, first page, second slider will assist you with your subscription.

Weekly Calendar with Readings

The dispensation from the obligation of Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation remains in effect until further notice.

Monday
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July

Mi 6:1-4, 6-8/Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]/Mt 12:38-42

- NO Daily Mass -
- Office Walk in hours: 1:00pm 3:30 pm

Tuesday

21 July Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8a]/Mt 12:46-50

- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office Walk in hours: 10:30 am 3:30 pm
- Pre Jordan Classes 6:30 pm

Wednesday 22 July

Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [2]/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office Walk in hours: 10:30 am 3:30 pm

Thursday 23 July

Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13/Ps 36:6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11 [10a]/Mt 13:10-17

- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office Walk in hours: 10:30 am 3:30 pm

Friday 24 July

Jer 3:14-17/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf. 10d]/Mt 13:18-23

- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office Walk in hours: 10:30 am 3:30 pm

25 July

2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [5]/Mt 20:20-28

- Sacrament of Reconciliation 6:30 pm 7:30 pm
- Mass 8:00 pm
- Church doors locked after Mass to clean and disinfect

Sunday

26

1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 [97a]/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

- Mass 8:00 am
- Church locked after Mass until 10:30 to clean and disinfect
- Mass 11:00 am
- Church locked after Mass until 1:00 pm to clean and disinfect

Community News



St. Mary's Parish in Winona, MN is seeking a full-time Administrative Assistant to work with a team of

professionals and volunteers to oversee the smooth running of the parish office in addition to providing secretarial and related office services for the Pastor and other staff as needed.

A high school diploma or equivalent and two years of broad, varied and increasingly responsible clerical service is preferred. Detailed job description available on St. Mary's Parish Website. Please send a letter of interest and resume to: St. Mary's Parish, Attn: Administrative Assistant Position, 1303 W. Broadway, Winona, MN 55987, or email: employmentsmparish@gmail.com. Application



deadline is August 7th.

Real Presence Radio -Catholic Radio for the Upper Midwest. Their mission is to assist the Roman Catholic Church

in drawing all people to the knowledge and love of Jesus and His Church through the medium of Catholic Radio in full accord wit the Magisterium of the Catholic Church decree on the media for social communications. Please visit their website yourcatholicradiostation.com for their schedule. You can listen to them on your radio at AM 970 or through their website. They are excited to announce that beginning August 6th, they will bring *Women Made New* with Crystalina Evert every Thursday at 11:00 am.

You are invited to one of the largest conferences of its kind in the United States in Des Moines, IA on September 26th/27th. Hear world-class speakers, celebrate Mass among many thousands, attend Reconciliation, visit Jesus in Adoration, fill your spirit with music and feel your soul rejoice! For more information and ticket sales information, go to their website christourlifeiowa.com. In addition to the in-person event, COL plans to offer livestreaming of the conference. This means the events will be available in "real time" online for a fee to cover this additional expense.

Mass Intentions

Mon	Jul	20	8:30 am	†Gladys Born
Tues	Jul	21	8:30 am	†Donald Smick
Wed	Jul	22	8:30 am	†Rae Ann Vigen
Thu	Jul	23	8:30 am	†Milada Schirger
Fri	Jul	24	8:30 am	†Andrew Cherim
Sat	Jul	25	8:00 pm	†Wilma Teutegerg
Sun	Jul	26	8:00 am	†Mildred Dee
Sun	Jul	26	11:00 am	For the Parish



Is it wrong to be angry at God? Anger is simply an emotional response to something that we perceive as an injustice.

It's okay to say to God:

- I'm angry because you took this person away from me.
- I'm angry because you allowed this to happen.
- I'm angry because it feels like my life is falling apart.

These kinds of emotional statements are some of the best forms of prayer because they come from your heart.

- God can handle your anger.
- God knows your pain.
- God will not get angry at you for being angry.

God will be the one who will ultimately help you through this. If you are angry at God, the best advice is to keep crying out to Him. God promises us He will be with us always. "For I am the Lord, your God, who grasps your right hand; it is I who say to you, Fear not, I will help you". (Isaiah 41:13) What God wants from you is trust that healing will come.

"Life is changed, not ended".... Preface to the Mass of Christian Burial.

*Don't ever be afraid to ask for spiritual support. Call or make an appointment with a priest. He can help you work through the spiritual aspects of grief. (Grieving with the Help of Your Catholic Faith).

Information provided by Resurrection Grief Support Ministry. If you have any questions or want to visit with a member, give us a call at 507-288-5528.

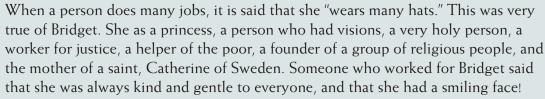
Faith Formation



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

Summer Saint: Saint Bridget of Sweden (c. 1303–1373), also known as Birgitta of Sweden, is one of the few Roman Catholic saints of Scandinavia. She is referred to as the "Mystic of the North."

St. Bridget was a wealthy, pious woman who experienced religious visions from her early childhood. After her husband died, she founded a religious order, the Brigittines. In 1999 Pope John Paul II named her one of the patron saints of Sweden and Europe. Her feast day is July 23.





What do you think takes more facial muscles—frowning or smiling? The answer is frowning. It is easier for your face to smile. Why do you think that is true? What are some reasons that make you smile? Other than smiling when we receiving something or feel happy, give me an example of a time you smiled on purpose, when you chose to smile? There are so many reasons to smile: to help someone else feel better, to show love, to be kind and to be friendly.



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

Did you join the first ever Steubenville LIVE!

While we know that nothing can quite match the energy and emotion felt during a Steubenville Conference weekend, we hope this opportunity deepened your faith and the faith of those around you!

If you attended Virtual Steubenville this weekend and want to share your experience, email me your story and we will share it with our parish community.



JOIN US LIVE
JULY 17: 6PM-9PM CST
JULY 18: 11AM-7PM CST

ACCESS WILL BE AVAILABLE BEYOND CONFERENCE WEEKEND