

August 2nd, 2020 18th 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 Monday - Friday

Weekend Mass Schuedule

Saturday 8:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am

10:30 am

Sunday Mass can be viewed on our

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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. With a drug addiction, can I accept the Body of Christ during Mass?

A. First of all, as a general rule please know that our Lord deeply desires to set you free from any addiction you may have. Addictions can cause much pain in one's life. There are many wonderful programs such as Narcotics Anonymous that have proven to be very effective so, if you haven't already, please do look into getting help and know that freedom from addiction is possible.

The real question is this...are you in a state of mortal sin as a result of your drug addiction? This is a hard question to answer here so the best thing to do is to meet with your parish priest and share the particulars of your situation. He will hopefully help you make some good decisions and help you make a plan regarding Holy Communion.

However, there is one particular general principle that is important for you to understand regarding your reception of Holy Communion with a drug addiction. An addiction is something that strips away someone's freedom to one extent or another. This means that, very often, when someone is addicted to something that seriously violates God's law, the fact that it is an "addiction" often lessens one's moral culpability for the action. This must carefully be understood so that it's not misinterpreted. The "lessening of one's culpability" certainly does not mean that the action of using drugs is morally OK. It's not. It must be fought and fought hard. It is possible to overcome a drug addiction or any other addiction. However, when we look at whether or not someone commits a "mortal sin" when using drugs, we must consider the factor of

whether or not it's an addiction to determine if this is done in a completely free way or not.

Let's look at the contrast of two examples. First, take someone with no addiction to drugs whatsoever. Imagine that this person came across some drugs by chance and instead of throwing them out decided to keep them. Then, one night while they were a bit bored, decided to try these drugs just for the fun of it. Say, also, that this person was a catechetical leader at church and was well versed in Catholic morality. They knew full well that drugs were wrong but didn't care and chose to try them anyway. In this case, the person is most likely committing a mortal sin and should refrain from Holy Communion until they are truly sorry and confesses their free choice.

On the other hand, say there is someone who has struggled with addiction their whole life and is doing everything possible to overcome their addiction. They have been going to Narcotics Anonymous, been going to confession and have been praying daily for grace. One night they are very depressed and down and stumble across some drugs that they had forgotten about in the house. They try to fight the urge but give in. Immediately afterwards they feel sorry and deep remorse. The next morning is Sunday and they try to go to confession but cannot get to the priest in time. Should they go to Communion? In this case they should. They should make a good act of contrition, recommit themselves to sobriety and promise to mention it in confession the next time they go but, yes, they should go to Communion. Why? Because even though this act of using drugs was seriously contrary to God's will, the weakened state someone is in from an addiction lessens the moral guilt before God. In other words, though the action is gravely wrong, God sees the whole picture. This person most likely did not commit a mortal sin even though the action was gravely wrong.

Mortal sin requires three things: 1) The action is gravely contrary to God's will, 2) the person fully knows it is wrong, 3) the person freely consents to the action of his own will. An addiction often times undermines the third requirement of a mortal sin in that it strips away someone's freedom. That's the nature of an addiction. The goal is to gain that freedom back so that the person is strong enough to live in the dignity that God made us for.

God's blessings! Father Peter Schuster

#### **Parish News**

Our weekend Masses have reached our seating capacity. We do not want to turn parishioners away from attending Mass, so we will be reviewing the need for those attending Mass to be registered. Please continue to check our website or call the office for updates to our weekend Masses.

Attention Catholics ages 18 - 39. Please visit the newly remodeled website at rochester-catholicmn.org 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.

Helping Hand Coupons available to purchase in the church office - Society of St. Vincent de Paul joins Hy-Vee by providing grocery coupons that you can purchase to give to those in need in the Rochester area . The coupon is \$10 and can be redeemed at any Hy-Vee store in Rochester.

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.

Thank you to the Garden Committee for maintaining the beautiful gardens around our church grounds. We appreciate all the time given to watering, pulling weeds and keeping the flowers and shrubs looking their best.

#### Liturgical Ministries for Aug 8th/9th

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

Ministry Schedule as of July 14, 2020

Lectors	Ushers
8:00 pm Liz Hanson	8:00 pm Josh Noser, Fred Noser
8:00 am Patricia Rossman	8:00 am Nancy Brehmer, Kenneth
10:30 am Bob Voss	Mueller
Greeters	10:30 am Vince Meyer, Char Stocker
8:00 pm Not Filled (2x) 8:00 am Tom Lund, Not Filled 10:30 am Not Filled (2x)	Sacristans
	8:00 pm Not Filled
	8:00 am Not Filled
	10:30 am Not Filled



"Keep to the ancient way and custom of the Church, established and confirmed by so many Saints under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.

And live a new life.

Pray, and get others to pray, that God not abandon His Church, but reform it as He pleases, and as He sees best for us, and more to His honor and glory."

-St. Angela Merici

### **Congratulations Confirmandi!**

Carolyn Jones Caden Baudoin

Jayson Knoepke BreAnn Buege

Emma Christofferson Seth Maday

Jacob McMahan Ashleigh Cox

**Emily Cordes** Lucas Neisen

**Carter Davis** Elena Porrata

**Sydney Dutton** Cadence Ragland

Norah Hoekstra **Emily Rahn** 

Gabriella Schimnich Abigail Inman

Received the Sacrament of Confirmation on July 29th, 2020

and were marked with the seal of the Holy Spirit at

The Church of the Resurrection

### Weekly Calendar with Readings

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

### Monday **3** August

Jer 28:1-17/Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102 [68b]/Mt 14:22-36

- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office Walk in hours: 10:00 am 3:30 pm

### Tuesday 4

August

Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 and 22-23 [17]/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office Walk in hours: 10:00 am 3:30 pm

### Wednesday **5**August

Jer 31:1-7/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/Mt 15:21-28

- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office Walk in hours: 10:00 am 3:30 pm
- Sacrament of Confirmation 6:30 pm (closed celebration; not a Public Mass)

### Thursday 6 August

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9 [1a, 9a]/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9

- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office Walk in hours: 10:00 am 3:30 pm

## Friday 7 August

Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41 [39c]/Mt 16:24-28

- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office Walk in hours: 10-:00 am 3:30 pm

### Saturday 8 August

Hb 1:12-2:4/Ps 9:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [11b]/Mt 17:14-20

- Funeral 10:30 am (church closed from 9:00 am 1:00 pm)
- Sacrament of Reconciliation 6:30 pm 7:30 pm
- Mass 8:00 pm
- Church doors locked after Mass to clean and disinfect

### **9**August

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33

- Mass 8:00 am
- Church locked after Mass until 10:00 to clean and disinfect
- Mass 10:30 am
- Church locked after Mass until 12:30 pm to clean and disinfect



### Michelle

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

Hello! It fills me with so much joy to be here with you as a new member of our Resurrection parish community. I look forward to meeting each and every one of you.

I will always remember a visit I had with my grandfather before he passed away. He had been diagnosed with Parkinson's a few years earlier. Over time, the strong, gentle man I knew ebbed away as the disease took over his body and mind. The last time I came to visit, he was hunched over in his chair and didn't seem to notice there was anyone else in the room. I did the only thing I could think to do. I sang. For over an hour, I poured out my love for him through my voice. And by the end, he was smiling and sitting tall in his chair, tapping to the beat. As I hugged him goodbye and told him I loved him, he spoke to me for the first time in three years. He said, "I love you, too." While I knew my calling to be a disciple of Christ, I did not understand what that could mean until that one moment.

This time of quarantine and social-distancing can be a unique opportunity for us to explore our own call to discipleship. Over the next several weeks, I will invite you to join me in a series of weekly challenges that will hopefully allow us to ponder our mission in new ways. I pray that together we will understand more fully the impact we make on the world as we renew our commitment of stewardship.

God Bless, Michelle Perrier choirdirector@rescathroch.org

Song for the Week: A Rightful Place by Steve Angrisano Check it out on YouTube!

### **Mass Intentions**

Mon	Aug 3	8:30 am	Dixie & †Ray Shimak wedding anniversary
Tues	Aug 4	8:30 am	Vince Kelly (birthday)
Wed	Aug 5	8:30 am	†Thomas Burn
Thu	Aug 6	8:30 am	†Jan Helgren
Fri	Aug 7	8:30 am	†Joyce Baumler
Sat	Aug 8	8:00 pm	†Barb Hyke
Sun	Aug 9	8:00 am	For the Parish
Sun	Aug 9	10:30 am	†Arletta Bungum

#### **Dedication Candles**

August 1st - 8th

1. †Don Davis



#### St. Francis School News

Part-time Cafeteria positions available at St. Francis of Assisi School for the 2020-2021 school year. Please visit the Rochester Catholic Schools website (www.rcsmn.org) System Office tab, Employment for application information, or email our principal (bplenge@rcsmn.org) for more information. Positions begin August 17th with a New Employee orientation.

The staff at St. Francis is happy to share that a new secretary has been hired for St. Francis of Assisi School. Jessica Falk will work a couple days a week throughout July and then be in the office fulltime (8-4) beginning in August. Jessica's email is <u>ifalk@rcsmn.org</u>. She is on a steep learning curve following Deb, who was here for 27 years!

Our teachers and administrative leaders are working closely with the Diocese of Winona-Rochester and the state to determine how we safely and effectively bring our students back to the classroom this fall.

Our face-to-face instruction will look different this fall, but we remain committed to bringing our students back for in-person learning. We will keep you informed as the re-opening plan continues to solidify.

### **Faith Formation**



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

A Summer Prayer from The Catholic Review: "Lord God, Creator of all things, guide our steps and strengthen our hearts during these months of summer and vacations days. May we make our homes places of relaxation, joy, love, peace and safety. May we be generous and considerate, not thinking only about ourselves, but helping others enjoy the blessings of the summertime. Grant us refreshment of

mind and body. May we constantly strive to make a meaningful difference in the lives of our loved ones and in the world around us as we enjoy the warm days of summertime." *Amen*.

First Reconciliation/First Communion Families: Letters were mailed to each family at the end of July. Please watch for your letter in the next couple of days. Information regarding the preparation to receive both the sacraments is included along with a purple form to be completed and returned at the parent meeting. This year our Parent-only Meeting will be on Monday, August 31st at 6:30pm in Fr. Zenk Hall. If you have any questions about the sacraments, contact me by e-mail or call the office.

Faith Formation Registration: We will have faith formation for children in grades 1-5 this year! At the time of printing the bulletin, we might not have a clear picture of what faith formation classes will look like for the 2020-21 year. Be assured that we are working on several plans. I will paint a better picture when we have clearer directions. Every family with children in grades 1-5 will receive a postcard inviting families to register their children in grades 1-5 in person or online. If you have questions, contact me by email or call the office 507 288 5528.



# Faith Formation Registration



Register for Grades 1-5 Classes,
Sacrament Prep for First Reconciliation/First Communion

in person: Monday, August 10 at 4:30 - 6:30pm in Room C

Online: @rescathroch.org,



Click on Faith Formation, Grades 1-5 Classes, Register for Classes

