



CHURCH OF THE
RESURRECTION
CATHOLIC CHURCH

*"You are Peter, and to you I will give
the keys of the kingdom of heaven."*

Matthew 16:13-20

August 23rd, 2020

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays: 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Daily Mass: 8:30 am Monday - Friday

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 8:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am

10:30 am

Sunday Mass can be viewed on our

website: rescathroch.org

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



Weekly Words from The Rock

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. A woman who gave birth through surgery just within a year becomes pregnant contrary to instructions of doctors as it is a very risk for her. Under this circumstance, is abortion allowed by the Church?

A. This is a very real life question. It is "real life" in the sense that it is certainly something that people encounter and something that brings with it serious questions. Thanks for asking.

We start by acknowledging the fear and anxiety that is naturally present when a mother is pregnant with a high risk pregnancy. And, in your scenario, it is clear that she is already a mother giving birth less than a year ago. Now she is pregnant again and the doctors make the medical assessment that her life is at risk with this new pregnancy. It is quite understandable that this situation would pose much legitimate fear and concern to this mother and her family.

To understand this question properly we have to see clearly what is at stake. First, we have the life of the mother. Her life, no doubt, is of greatest value and everything must be done so as to help keep her healthy. We also have to consider a second essential fact. By "essential" we mean that this second fact cannot be ignored. And that fact is that we are talking about two lives, not just one.

Once pregnancy takes place, new human life is present. This means that a new child is created by God and is living in the womb of the mother. Though this is an obvious fact, it is often not fully considered when asking this question. So, as hard as it may be to look at it this way, the following question must also be asked: "Whose life is more important? That of the mother? Or that of the newly conceived child?" Well, truth be told, there is no answer to that question

because neither is more important than the other. Each life is absolutely sacred and of infinite value.

Some have suggested that the mother's life is more important than the newly conceived child because the mother is a mother already and another child is dependent upon her. Even though it is true that her responsibilities in life are obviously greater, since a child in the womb has no responsibilities, it would be a mistake to equate responsibility with value. Life has infinite value simply because it is life, and that's it. So how do we answer the question? The answer is that abortion is always wrong. The goal must be to do all that is possible to help the mother bring that child to term. However, there are some options. For example, an early delivery could take place even if it poses a certain risk to the child. Care must be taken so that the risk is not too great, but some risk is reasonable.

This is especially true when it is concluded that if the mother were to die, the child would die also. In that case, when a doctor determines that the risk to both mother and child is so great that it is almost inevitable, an early delivery would be almost necessitated even if there is great risk to the child. In this case the intention is certainly not abortion, the intention and goal is to save the life of both the mother and the child.

One specific situation to consider is a tubal pregnancy. This is when a child is conceived and attaches to the Fallopian tube rather than to the uterine wall. In this case the medical outcome is quite certain. The child will not survive and the mother will most likely die of internal bleeding. This is one case in which many moral theologians have applied a moral principle called "the principle of double effect." "Double effect" means that one thing is intended and another is not. Specifically, many have argued that it is permissible to remove the portion of the Fallopian tube that is either ruptured or soon to be ruptured even though they know this will also remove the human embryo. Direct abortion is not the intention in this case.

If you or someone you know finds themselves in this situation please do contact your parish priest for his advice. Each case will bring with it unique circumstances so it is essential to evaluate your situation and all the factors involved.

God's blessings! Father Peter Schuster

Parish News

FACE COVERINGS ARE REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES REGARDLESS OF DISTANCE. Face coverings will be required at all times in the Resurrection building with no exception for seating in the pews.

Food For Friends - Project School Supplies for students in need at Ben Franklin Elementary; take a list from the vestibule, pick a grade level from the supply list, purchase the school supplies, write the grade level on the tag provided; return either in a new backpack or packages marked with the grade level to the Gathering Space.

Women who love to read and enjoy fellowship are invited to join our Well-Read Mom Group, a way for women (members do not have to be mothers) to reclaim time to read high-quality literature together and grow in friendship in the process. This group reads, meets, and discusses one book per month. The books include great books, spiritual classics (during Advent and Lent), worthy reads, poetry and selected essays from the Catholic and Western traditions. The 2020-2021 year's theme is the "Year of the Sister," including some excellent authors such as Jane Austen, Sophocles, St. Teresa of Ávila, Harper Lee, Rumer Golden, among others. This group will be led by Doreen Johnson starting Wednesday, September 10, and every second Wednesday through June from 7-8:00 or 8:30 p.m. @ Zoom. The cost is \$43.95 per year per member (includes members' materials). For questions, contact Doreen at 507-250-7137 (please leave a voicemail) or email her at Djonediva@msn.com. To register today, view this year's book-list and find out more, visit www.wellreadmom.com.

St. Vincent de Paul Society's Annual Friends of the Poor Walk will be held on Saturday Sept 26 BUT will be VIRTUAL only (meaning you may do the walk yourself to fit your schedule). The annual walk's goal is to raise money for those in need in our local community. With the pandemic, the need is great especially when the moratorium for evictions ends in August. Please visit <https://www.svdp-rochmn.org/fop-walk-2020> to register as a "virtual" walker or to find a team or individual to pledge towards.

Thank You to Judith Pelowski. The Church of the Resurrection is grateful for the service and devotion of Judith Pelowski who, among other roles within the parish, has been employed as the Custodian for 31 years. It saddens us to announce the retirement of Judy Pelowski. Her last working day will be September 30. Judy has been an integral part of our parish and will continue to do so in her volunteer position as a Sacristan. Her contributions will always be valued and remembered. As an employee of parish staff, Judy will be greatly missed.

Upcoming changes starting Sept 5th

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
The time will be changed from 6:30 pm on Saturday evening to Saturday morning 9:15 am - 10:15 am. Confessions will be in the confessional room inside the sanctuary.

On Saturdays, Church doors will be locked from 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm.

We will no longer pray the rosary before the Saturday evening Mass

Liturgical Ministries for Aug 29th/30th

	8:00 pm	8:00 am	10:30 am
Lectors	Liz Hanson	Richard Miller	Bob Voss
Greeters	Tara Engel, Not Filled	G. Cutshall, Tom Lund	V. Meyer, C. Stocker
Ushers	L. Witter, Not Filled	K. Mueller, Not Filled	J. Maronde, W. Sullivan
Sacristans	Judith Pelowski	Nancy Hass	Brett Maronde

MASS RESERVATIONS AT RESURRECTION STARTING IN SEPTEMBER

Beginning in September, we will be moving to reserved seating. Every Thursday, we'll update the homepage of our website with a link that will let current members request seats for weekend Masses. Reserved seating will be done completely online. The software we are using is Flocknote, our church database system. When prompted, please provide your email address. Once you do, click the Mass you want to attend and the number of people living under the same roof that will attend Mass with you, including yourself.

You will receive a confirmation email from Flocknote that we received your information. This does **NOT** yet mean that you have a seat reserved! Every Tuesday at 10:00am, sign-ups will close, at which time we will assign seats to as many people as possible. By Thursday, you will receive a follow-up email from choirdirector@rescathroch.org with a confirmation number.

Doors will be unlocked half-an-hour before Masses begin. When you arrive, head to the check-in station by the baptismal font. Please bring the confirmation email with you from choirdirector@rescathroch.org.

If we were unable to seat you that Mass, you will also receive an email letting you know. You will have priority the following weekend if you sign-up.

SIGN UP FOR SEPT 5TH/6TH MASSES STARTS ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 27TH. REGISTRATION ENDS TUESDAY, SEPT 1ST. YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED THROUGH EMAIL BY SEPTEMBER 3RD FROM CHOIRDIRECTOR@RESCATHROCH.ORG

COULDN'T GET A SEAT? DO NOT FEAR—LIVE STREAMING IS HERE!

If you were unable to get a seat at Mass, we still welcome you to join us! Simply sit in your car in the parking lot and pull up our website on your phone. We will live stream the Mass on our homepage, and you will be able to celebrate with us in real time. During Communion, we will invite you to enter the east doors by the adoration chapel, receive communion in the gathering space, and head back to your car using the south main doors.

HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS: You can watch live Mass on our website for weekend Masses during the regular Mass times. We will continue to post a video on the Sunday Mass to our website for those who can not make it to either Mass or livestreaming. The video will not be available to watch until Sunday afternoon. The video will be one of the live streaming Masses.

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel 24 hours/7 days a week



"My sweetest joy is to be in the presence of Jesus in the Holy Sacrament. I beg that when obliged to withdraw in body, I may leave my heart before the Holy Sacrament. How I would miss Our Lord if He were to be away from me by His presence in the Blessed Sacrament!"

St. Katharine Drexel

Open Hours available

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
	2 am		1 am		1 am	11 pm
			2 am		2 am	
					3 am	
					4 am	
					9 am	

You can help by choosing an open hour from the graph to the left. You commit to one hour a week of adoring Jesus in the Chapel at Resurrection. Seating will be limited and masks required to wear to and from your seat.

To sign up or for more information, call the church office at 507-288-5528.

Weekly Calendar with Readings

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

Monday 24 August	Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Daily Mass 8:30 am• Office Walk in hours: 9:15 am - 3:30 pm• Catechist meeting Gr 1-5, 6:00 pm Room C
Tuesday 25 August	2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Mt 23:23-26 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Daily Mass 8:30 am• Office Walk in hours: 9:15 am - 3:30 pm• St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 7:00 pm
Wednesday 26 August	2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/Mt 23:27-32 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Daily Mass 8:30 am• Office Walk in hours: 9:15 am - 3:30 pm• Eucharistic Minister training 6:30 pm
Thursday 27 August	1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 24:42-51 Mass Reservation Sign Up for Sept 5th/6th Masses - all day - Go to our website rescathroch.org. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Daily Mass 8:30 am• Office Walk in hours: 9:15 am - 3:30 pm
Friday 28 August	1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-1 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Daily Mass 8:30 am• Office Walk in hours: 9:15 am - 3:30 pm
Saturday 29 August	1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab and 17/Mk 6:17-29 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sacrament of Reconciliation 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm• Mass 8:00 pm
Sunday 30 August	Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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



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Did you know that prayer is something we need spiritually and mentally? Studies have shown that those who pray regularly feel more positive, are less depressed, and can better cope with the stresses and difficulties in their lives. During these times of COVID, then, we should pray even more!

I started praying the rosary before performances as a way to focus on pouring out my love for others. Over the years, the prayer transformed into a new variation. When I reach the first mystery, I thank God for my loving, supportive families, including the family you have adopted me into here at Resurrection. At the second bead, I thank God for my friends, the people who have shaped and inspired me. At the third mystery, I thank God for the gifts he has blessed me with, particularly my voice, and how wonderful it is that I can make a difference with them. At the fourth mystery, I pray for everyone in this world, especially those in my life who are struggling. Finally, at the last mystery I pray that God continues to give me the strength to be the best person I can be and that I will continue to be his disciple through my words, actions, and voice.

For this week, then, I challenge us to take the time to pray. Use a formula like the rosary, have a simple conversation, or do your own mixture of the two. Let's thank God for all the blessings he has given us, pray for others needing help, and ask that we continue to find strength in him to pour out his love every moment of our lives!

God Bless, Michelle Perrier

Ordination of a Deacon: The Most Reverend John M. Quinn, Bishop of Winona-Rochester invites you to participate via livestream in the Ordination to the Sacred Order of Deacon today, Sunday, August 23rd at 2:00 pm at the Basilica of St. Stanislaus Kostka in Winona. For access to the livestream, please visit one of the following: www.youtube.com/user/DiocesefWinona or www.facebook.com/DiocesefWinonaRochester.

Mass Intentions

Mon	Aug 24	8:30 am	† Poor Souls
Tues	Aug 25	8:30 am	†Milo Berndt
Wed	Aug 26	8:30 am	†Roenia Sneed
Thu	Aug 27	8:30 am	†Florence Mueller
Fri	Aug 28	8:30 am	†Andrew Cherim
Sat	Aug 29	8:00 pm	†Matthew Hanson
Sun	Aug 30	8:00 am	For the Parish
Sun	Aug 30	10:30 am	†Deceased members of Catholic United Family Team

St. Francis School News

Meet the Teacher for the 2020-2021 school year is scheduled for August 26th. Please look for communication from your child's teacher regarding this event.

All forms necessary to begin the school year should have been picked up during Welcome Days or you have been contacted by the school office staff. Please return all forms, completely filled out on or before August 26th. There will be a drive through drop off from 8-12 on the 26th for your convenience.

School begins on Monday, August 31st at 8:50 am. Students should enter the designated doors immediately upon arrival with their 'admit slips' in hand. Please do not arrive earlier than 8:20 am.

Community News

Sunday, August 23rd, and each Sunday leading up to the elections, please join us in public prayer near the Rochester Government Center, corner of 4th St SE & 3rd Ave SE at 3pm to pray for our country's elections, conversion & peace. If you can't be present, please join us in prayer from wherever you are.

Are you, or someone you know, pregnant and in need of support? **Catholic Charities offers free,** confidential support to those who are pregnant or have a new baby. In addition to resources like free baby items and rental assistance, our social workers offer parenting education, decision-making counseling, and adoption planning and information. We are available to answer calls 24/7 at 800-222-5859. We can help you thoughtfully decide between parenting or adoption and confidently pursue the best plan for yourself and your baby.

Faith Formation



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

First Reconciliation/First Communion Parent-Only Meeting: We will have a short parent-only meeting on Monday, August 31st at 6:30pm in Fr. Zenk Hall. Only one parent needs to attend to pick up their family folder, which contains all the information needed about preparing their child to receive the sacrament of reconciliation. If you are not able to make it to this meeting, call the church office (288-5528, ext. 108) or email me to arrange for an individual time to pick up your child's folder.

Registration for Grade 1-5 Classes: Families are able to register children for faith formation on our website. Go to Faith Formation, Youth Grades 1-5, Classes, and you'll find the online registration and the calendar. If you would rather fill out the paper registration, please print it and mail it to the office. Faith Formation classes start on Monday, September 14th.

Catechist Meeting for Grades 1-5: We will meet in Room C on Monday, August 24th at 6:00pm.

Questions about Faith Formation: After you have registered for classes, I will e-mail your family the guidelines we will be using for Faith Formation classes on Monday evenings. In general, we will all wear masks in the building, use hand sanitizer upon entering the classrooms, keep 6 foot distancing throughout the class time, and offer instructions for parents dropping off and picking up their children for classes. We will have the surfaces where the children are sitting cleaned before, between and after the 4:30-5:30 and 6:00-7:00pm class times. Parents will be told when we have a need for volunteers to help with the cleaning process. At this time, we are following the suggestions from the Diocese of Winona-Rochester, the State of Minnesota, and Rochester Public/Catholic Schools. If we come to a time when elementary children are not able to attend schools, our faith formation plan is to create materials to go home with families on a monthly basis. We are ready to adapt our plans to support all our Resurrection families teach their children in whatever way that helps them. All things are possible with Christ, and passing on our faith to our children will be made possible, too.



News from Sheila, Birth-KG, Grs 6-12, Children & Youth Ministry, dresscm@rescathroch.org

Time to register for Faith Formation Classes! For students attending public and home school Grades 6-10. Register ONLINE for classes at the following link.

<https://www.rescathroch.org/WP/faith-formation-registration/>

Confirmation Students: Confirmation is a 2 year program usually beginning in grade 9 and completed in grade 10. If you are in grade 10 and up and are registering for confirmation for the first time you will be entering into the YEAR ONE program.

Choosing to be confirmed is not a light decision. This year we have implemented an application process. Don't worry, no one is rejected and there are no right or wrong answers. The purpose of the application is to help teens and their parent/guardian to discern if Confirmation is something they truly want and are ready for. It also assists the Confirmation Core Team with getting to know the teens and their families.

Public and Home School: Register for faith formation classes as required. Once registered I will email you the **Confirmation Application**. There is a one time \$50 registration fee for Confirmation Preparation paid the first year. **This year, Year Two families** will need to *complete the Confirmation Application as well*.

Catholic School: Email me a request for the **Confirmation Application**. There is a one time \$50 registration fee for Confirmation Preparation paid the first year. **This year, Year Two families** will need to complete the Confirmation Application as well.