

"A man going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them." Matthew 25: 31-46

November 15th, 2020 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturdays: 9:15 am - 10:15 am

Daily Mass: 8:30 am Monday - Friday

Weekend Mass Schedule

(registration required)

Saturday 8:00 pm Sunday: 8:00 am

Sunday 10:30 am

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

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

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Weekly Words from The Rock

Question and Answer

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. I have friends who are sexually active. I care about them and I think they're good people, so I don't want to insult them. But how do I encourage them tactfully to reconsider their behavior?

A. Thanks for your question and, especially, for your concern for your friends! Let me offer a few thoughts. I'd say that it's a good thing you don't want to"insult" your friends as you say. Usually, how we say something is just as important as what we say. If your friends feel as though you don't understand them, are judging them or are angry at them they may not listen to you. But what you have to share with them is very important for them to hear! Having a sexual relationship, outside of the context of marriage, is not a part of God's plan for anyone. So let's look at both the message you need to share and how best you can communicate it to them.

God made sex as a very good thing. In making us sexual beings God made it possible for husband and wife to unite themselves in a deep, permanent and exclusive way. He also made it possible for husband and wife to share in His power of creation when this sexual exchange bears children. But sex should be shared between two only when there has been this permanent and exclusive commitment which is also open to children.

It's important to know that sex is also, in a sense, a "language." As a language, sex is a way for a couple to communicate certain truths to each other. These truths cannot be separated from sex because God is the one who designed it. One thing that sex says is, "I'm committed to you for life!"

Furthermore, it says, "I'm committed to you and you alone for life!" The main problem with sex outside of marriage is that it is a lie. Two people who are not permanently and exclusively committed to each other in marriage ought not try and say, with their bodies, that they are. When this happens, I think the act of sex confuses things a lot! And deep down, I think everyone knows that.

The problem is that, sometimes, these good desires, meant to be shared with one's spouse, will do great damage when used in any other way. In fact, I'm quite confident that your friends, or anyone having a sexual relationship outside of marriage, knows that what they are doing is wrong. And, of course, we can't forget about the fact that sex is also made for the possibility of children. So, in essence, when two have sex they are also saying that I am ready to have a child if God so chooses to bless us with one.

But communicating this to your friends is, perhaps, the most difficult part. What I'd say is that you start by telling them that you care about them and for that reason you are concerned about the choice they are making. They may not accept what you are saying at first, and may even get a little mad at you. But, as long as you try to talk humbly to them, gently, with a smile and also clearly, you may have a chance at making a difference.

In the end, even if they don't listen to you right away I wouldn't feel too bad. Offering your loving thoughts to them may plant a seed that will take a while to make sense to them. So keep at it, be consistent, be loving and, most importantly, pray for them. And remember that they really do need to, and probably want to, hear what you have to say.

Catholic Humor- It must have been tough for David!



God's blessings! Father Peter Schuster

Parish News



2020 Holiday Bazaar to Ca\$h Calendar





As announced last week, the 2020 Holiday Bazaar fell victim to the COVID-19 virus. But we're moving ahead with a cash raffle and its added twist!

Introducing - CA\$H CALENDAR! Instead of awarding all of the cash prizes on one day, we're expanding that to 1 winner per week for 52 weeks. AND we're awarding 4 larger cash prizes, once per quarter beginning Feb. 14, 2021 along with 48 weekly prizes for a total of 52 winners. Watch for more details about cash amounts of these prizes and



Resurrection's Knights of Columbus Fundraiser - they will be selling tickets to be redeemed at Flowers by Jerry for a dozen roses and/or a Christmas bouquet. Each ticket is \$14 and can be purchased in the parking lot following Sunday Mass the weekends of Nov 15th; Nov 22nd and Nov 29th. Any questions, call Bob Voss at 507-208-8036. We will also have some available in the church office to purchase during regular office hours (Monday through Friday - 9:15am - 5:00 pm).

Operation: One More

when tickets will be available for purchase.

The holiday season is one filled with joy and wonder but can also bring financial stress. Many families with children in our community are food insecure. Our mission is to provide extra food as a gesture of compassion during the holiday season. Last year nearly 60 families, 260 individuals, were blessed with a holiday food basket. With COVID-19 effecting so many, we anticipate a greater need for our assistance. We will be collecting food through December 13th. Items needed are jars of peanut butter, mashed potatoes, plain oatmeal, and canned tuna. Please consider donating. Collection bins are located 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:



Andrew John Golombeski

Child of Jared and Lexi



Rest In Peace Let the Perpetual Light Shine Upon William "Bill" Donovan

> Survived by his wife, Janis Sons, Greg and Richard and their families

Christmas Mass 2020 Schedule:

Dec 24th: 1:00 pm, 4:00 pm, & 7:00 pm

Liturgy of the Word and Communion, 10:00 pm

Dec 25th: 9:00 am

Registration will be required to attend Christmas Mass. Go to our website: rescathroch.org and click on the Christmas Mass reservation button to register for Mass. Registration ends Dec 8th.

Liturgical Ministries for Nov 21st/22nd

If unable to fulfill your ministry as scheduled, please find a substitute. Thank you. Ministry Schedule as of October 30, 2020

Lectors

8:00 pm Therese Schoenfelder 8:00 am Michael Lose 10:30 am Regina Boehmke

Greeters

8:00 pm Tara Engel, NOT FILLED 8:00 am Nancy Brehmer, NOT FILLED 10:30 am Joanne Huegel, Char Stocker

Sacristans

8:00 pm Judith Pelowski 8:00 am Tracy & Donna Smith 10:30 am Brett Maronde

Ushers

8:00 pm John Schoenfelder, NOT FILLED 8:00 am Jerry Krantz, Kenneth Mueller 10:30 am James Maronde, William Sullivan

Check in Minister

8:00 pm Anne and Mia Cuccio 8:00 am Dianne Plager 10:30 am Bob Voss

Walk in Ministers

8:00 pm Cheryl Kieffer, Sheila Pelowski 8:00 am Mary Lose, Gloria Flicek (sub req) 10:30 am Paul Drucker, Catherine Tiegs

Eucharistic Ministers

8:00 pm Mary Meine, LG, Walter Max, (1), (IF NO DEACON) Patricia Max, (2)

8:00 am John Howard-Carroll, LG, Patty Haler, (1), (IF NO DEACON), Elaine Doherty, (2)

10:30 am Dan McCormick, LG, Gary Tschann, (1), (IF NO DEACON), Brenda Tschann, (2)

Dedication Candles - November 14th/November 15th

- 1. †Norman Reopelle
- 2. †Ray & Vera Gewerth
- 3. †George & Cora Reopelle
- 4. †Len & Grace Fehr





Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel 24 hours/7 days a week

"Sitting before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, a new life begins. Another birth takes place; eternal life within us. We do not see Jesus with our eyes, but rather in the transformation of our lives, where Jesus loves to be and desires that we experience love." Mother Elvira Petrozzi

Open Hours

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
3 pm		12 am	2 am			5 pm
		11 pm				

By choosing an open hour from the graph to the left, you commit to the that one hour a week of adoring Jesus in the Chapel at Resurrection. Seating will be limited and masks required.

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 16 November

Mass Registration for Nov 21st/22nd rescathroch.org to sign up Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Rev 2:17]/Lk 18:35-4

- Daily Mass 8:30 am, Office walk in hours 9:15am 5:00 pm
- Faith Formation Gr 1,3-5 4:30pm/6:00pm
- First Reconciliation Learning Centers Gr 1 4:00-7:00 pm

Tuesday 17 November

Mass Registration for Nov 21st/22nd rescathroch.org to sign up Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 [Rev 3:21]/Lk 19:1-10

- Daily Mass 8:30 am;
- Office Walk in hours: 9:15 am 5:00 pm
- Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00 pm
- Adoration Team Meeting 7:00 pm

18 November

Mass Registration for Nov 21st/22nd rescathroch.org to sign up Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [1b]/Lk 19:11-28

- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office Walk in hours: 9:15 am 5:00 pm
- Faith Formation Open Door Gr 6-10, 6:30 pm

Thursday 19 November

Mass Registration closes at 10:00 am for Nov 21st/22nd Rv 5:1-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [Rev 5:10]/Lk 19:41-44

- Daily Mass 8:30 am Office Walk in hours: 9:15 am 5:00 pm
- RCIA 6:30 pm
- Choir Practice 6:30 pm

Friday 20 November

Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131 [103a]/Lk 19:45-48

- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office Walk in hours: 9:15 am 3:30 pm

Saturday 21 November

Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10 [1b]/Lk 20:27-40

- Sacrament of Reconciliation 9:15 am 10:15 am
- Mass 8:00 pm

Sunday 22 November

Mass Registration for Nov 28th/29th rescathroch.org to sign up. Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46

- Mass 8:00 am
- Mass 10:30 am



Michelle's

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

I'm going to ask you a very serious question: have you remembered to laugh lately?

You may find this ridiculous, but I'm serious. (Note my straight face. $(\underline{\bullet})$)

It is important to find the time to enjoy life. It might be harder to do so right now, but there are still oodles of ways we can lift our hearts with praise.

Here's an idea: go on a walk, or look outside your window, and praise God for the beauty of his creation.

Another thought: call a friend and reminisce with them for five minutes. Revel in the joy of that friendship.

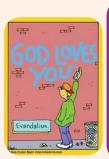
Or do a kind act that will lift another's heart, like knitting a baby hat for a friend or baking cookies for your neighbors.

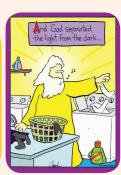
Personally, I love horrendous puns, so what I do to smile is to look up new jokes and tell them to my dad. He groans and mumbles, but hearing him chuckle along with me lifts my soul any day.

My challenge for us this week, then, is to smile, laugh, praise God, and simply enjoy life. And if you need help getting started, try reading these jokes first!

God Bless, Michelle Perrier

Song of the Week: His Eye is on the Sparrow Check it out on YouTube!







Mass Intentions

Mon	Nov 16	8:30 am	Reparation of Sins				
Tues	Nov 17	8:30 am	†Roger Bibeault				
Wed	Nov 18	8:30 am	†Orville Sawatzky				
Thu	Nov 19	8:30 am	†Michael Born				
Fri	Nov 20	8:30 am	†Poor Souls				
Sat	Nov 21	8:00 pm	†Ray Pelowski				
Sun	Nov 22	8:00 am	†Doris Curley				
Sun	Nov 22	10:30 am	For the Parish				

St. Francis School News

Tour Kindergarten at St. Francis of Assisi School for the 2021-2022 school year on Monday and Thursday, November 16th and 19th. Tours run every 15 minutes and you can sign up via the RCS website (www.rcsmn. org). If these dates/times do not work for you, or if you would like a more extensive tour, please contact the school office 288-4816.

The weekly school Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, November 17th at 9:15 a.m.

Please continue to bring nonperishable food donations for Operation One More.

ROCHESTER ROSARY RALLIES

Right now our country needs fervent and confident prayer offered for the truthful, just, and peaceful resolution to our recent elections, continued conversion, and peace. Please join us on the remaining seven Sundays of 2020 (Sundays, November 15, 22, & 29, December 6, 13, 20, & 27) for the continuation of the Rochester Rosary Rallies, this time praying the Patriotic Rosary. These rallies will all be held near the Rochester Government Center at the corner of 4th St. SE and 3rd Ave. SE at 3pm, the Divine Mercy Hour. We encourage all to step out in faith and courage to publicly pray for our state and country. Bring your families and friends. If you are ever unable to join us physically, please consider joining us spiritually by praying a Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet. May our united prayers through Mary find the heart of Jesus. Ouestions: Contact Mary Amiot at mamiot@ hotmail.com or 507-287-6481 OR Janela Hubka at daveandjanela@gmail.com or 507-282-6090.

Faith Formation



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

Grades 1, 3-5: We have faith formation classes on Monday, November 16th at 4:30 and 6:00pm. We continue to practice stewardship as we learned from St. Fra Angelico and St. Elizabeth of Hungary.

First Reconciliation: Child/Parent learning centers are on Monday, November 16. The centers are open 4:00-7:00pm in Fr. Zenk Hall and take about an hour to complete.

Teaching Kids to Respect Others: This week's chapter is called "We Care for Kids Who Are Bullied." The nature of bullying is that it never builds character but instead, tears someone apart, and can lead to permanent emotional scars. Bullying is violent (physically, emotionally, psychologically), ongoing/repeated behavior, and overpowering when the person cannot defend himself or herself. Do not blame children who are bullied. Nobody deserves to be bullied. Include bullying in your Examination of conscience. Include sins of omission too—Did I fail to help someone who was being bullied in person or online?

As a family, read the parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:30-37). Re-imagine the story as a bullying parable. Even the youngest in the family will be able to tell what it feels like to be bullied. Let them know God loves them and help them learn ways to decrease or end bullying to themselves and other kids.

Lord God, bless us with the courage to stand up for those who are bullied, and the grace to accept everyone as a brother or sister created in your own image and likeness. Amen.



News from Sheila, Birth-KG, Grs 6-12, Children & Youth Ministry, dresscm@rescathroch.org Our youth are almost two months into their faith formation. It has been an interesting year working within the guidelines of a pandemic. We continue to adjust and adapt to make the faith formation and confirmation preparation processes engaging and vibrant...it's a challenge worthy of tackling! Your continued prayers are appreciated. Here is an update on what we have been up to.

Faith Formation: 6-10 public and home school students in religious education have been digging deep into various forms of prayer. Our focus this year is to provide a strong foundation in prayer and to let students know there is no wrong way to pray! Students have been introduced to and prayed – The Rosary, Litany of the Saints, Prayers for All Souls, Divine Mercy Chaplet, The Prayer Process, Hand-Lettering/Doodle Prayer, Silent Prayer, and Personal Intentions.

Year 1 Confirmation: This year we are doing a book study using the book "Signs of Life" by Scott Hahn. At our Sunday retreat on 11/8, students were able to witness Deacon Rob blessing holy water, Saint Michael and guardian angels medals and prayer cards. Each student went home with these "signs of life" to remind them of their faith and help encourage them on their path toward holiness.

Year 2 Confirmation: Year Two students are reading "Because God is Real" by Peter Kreeft for their book study. Students come prepared to share what peeked their interest, challenged their own thoughts on God, and/or how they are growing in faith.