



CHURCH OF THE
RESURRECTION
CATHOLIC CHURCH

*"Come after me, and I will make you
fishers of men." Mark 1:14-20*

January 24th, 2021
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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. Why is it that on Sundays you can do whatever you gave up for lent?

A. Ah, yes, this is one of those things that many people do not realize. I think the answer could be given in two different ways. There is no clear teaching on this since giving something up in Lent is more of a personal sacrifice, even though it is encouraged as a Church discipline. Let me share the two approaches you could take.

First of all, there are those who prefer to give something up all of Lent. That means from Ash Wednesday through Holy Saturday and every day in between. This is certainly a good practice and one that will bring with it much merit. The rationale would be that Jesus fasted in the desert for forty days and did not have any breaks or moments of feasting. Additionally, as a Church we do have a penitential attitude even toward Sundays in Lent, in that we keep the Church decorated in a very simple way, wear purple as a sign of penance, and refrain from singing the Gloria and the Alleluia. These are all ways we keep the attitude of penance even on Sundays.

However, with that said, it's also important to point out that Sundays are Solemnities within the Church. A Solemnity is a day of the greatest celebration and especially focuses upon the entire action of Christ's life, death AND resurrection. So Sundays are not technically to be days of fast; rather, they are to be days of feasting!

As a child I remember approaching Lent in this way and have always continued this practice. For me, it has always been a welcome moment of rest from the penance of Lent and has helped me remember that the joy of Easter is the final goal of any fasting and penance. Psychologically and spiritually it seems good to celebrate these mini-celebrations of Easter every Sunday, and it seems to help make the days of fasting more meaningful. It adds a certain rhythm to the week, focusing on both celebration and penance at the appropriate times.

Additionally, there are two other solemnities within Lent that some will choose to treat as a Sunday. The Solemnity of St. Joseph is on March 19, and the Solemnity of the Annunciation is on March 25 (nine months before Christmas marking the Incarnation). These days, being Solemnities within our Church, are celebrated with the same joy as Sunday. Therefore, it would be understandable if you decided to give up your Lenten sacrifice on those days also.

The bottom line is that sacrifice and penance is for a purpose. It's a means to an end, not an end in itself. In other words, our ultimate goal is not sacrifice and penance; rather, our ultimate goal is the resurrection. Penance helps us on that journey but penance should never be seen as the final end.

So my recommendation is to celebrate and to celebrate all Solemnities within our Church well. This will only help make the days of penance more fruitful.

Q. My child was invited to a sleep-over at a friend's house on a Friday during Lent. I told him he could go if he promised not to eat any pizza with meat on it. When he got there, all they had was sausage and pepperoni and he had some. How do we handle this in the future? And why is meat OK on Friday the rest of the year?

A. Meat or no meat...that is the question.

It's true that the requirement to abstain from meat now only applies to Lent. In the past it applied to every Friday of the year. So one may ask the question, "Why? Is there something wrong with meat? Why is it ok during the rest of the year but not Lent?" This is a good question. Let me explain. (continued on next page).

Parish News

Resurrection's Ca\$h Calendar



The deadline approaches to purchase 1 more "lucky" Ca\$h CALENDAR raffle ticket. A few more tickets are still available for purchase in the Church Office. We need you to return all unsold raffle tickets now. Entry stubs along with money must be turned in before Feb. 5th in order to be eligible for the drawings. The MN State Gambling Board requires that all 800 tickets be accounted for - paperwork. Thank you to everyone who considered and purchased a ticket or two. We appreciate your support of this new venture and hope that it is successful for both the parish and you.

Operation Hometown Gratitude



is back. This program enables us to show support for our local deployed troops. We will again need your help to create a family experience to fill a box, donate supplies, money, write letters and pray. Look for the table in the Gathering Space for more information.

Monetary donations can be put in the drop off slot by the office window any time. *Do not* drop off any supplies or boxes until the weekend of Feb. 20th/21st due to lack of storage space at church.

2020 Contribution Statements have been mailed out.

Any questions on concerns, or if you did not receive it in the mail, give the office a call 507 288-5528. To access your contribution statement on line, please go to our website rescathroch.org; on the home page, scroll down and on the right side of the page, click on the button My Own Church. If you already have signed up, enter your username and password. If you have not signed up, complete the questions and submit your request. You will receive a temporary password to use; once you are logged into your "Family record", update your password. Any questions regarding My Own Church, give us a call at the office.

Attention Resurrection Knights of Columbus, a meeting will be held at the church on Tuesday, January 26th, 7:00 pm in South Hall.



2020
Catholic Ministries Appeal
Share His good gifts with all.

Thank you for your financial support of the Catholic Ministries Appeal. We made

our goal! Any amount over, will be returned to our parish for future projects. Church of the Resurrections Goal \$82,000; Received and/or Pledged: \$90,258. Amount over \$7,426.

(Continued from Fr. Schuster's article on previous page)

First, there is nothing wrong with eating meat itself. Jesus ate meat and this is a part of God's plan for our lives. Of course there is no obligation to eat either. One is free to be a vegetarian, but not required.

So what's the deal with not eating meat on Fridays in Lent? It's simply a universal law of abstinence decided upon by the Catholic Church. What I mean is that our Church sees great value in offering sacrifice to God. In fact, our universal Church law is that every Friday of the year is to be a day of fasting of some sort. It's only in Lent that we are asked to sacrifice in the specific way of giving up meat on Fridays. This is of great value to the entire Church in that we all share in the same sacrifice during Lent together. This unites us in our sacrifice and enables us to share a common bond.

But your question also has another component to it. What about your child accepting an invitation to a friend's house on Fridays during Lent in the future? I'd also suggest that this could be a good opportunity for your family to share your faith. So, if there is another invitation, you could simply share your concern with the other parent that, as a Catholic, you give up meat on Fridays in Lent. Perhaps this will lead to a good discussion.

And don't forget that this small sacrifice is given to us as a way of better sharing in the one sacrifice of Jesus on the Cross! Therefore, this little sacrifice has great potential to help us become more like Him.

God's blessings! Father Peter Schuster

Liturgical Ministries for Jan 30th/31st

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

We need church cleaners, greeters, ushers, sacristans and help at the table to check in parishioners.

If interested please call the office 288 5528 or email Michelle at michellep@rescathroch.org.

Lectors

8:00 pm Michelle Perrier
8:00 am Patricia Rossman
10:30 am Fran Filzen

Ushers

8:00 pm Josh Noser, Marie Noser
8:00 am Kenneth Mueller, Tom Pries
10:30 am Aaron Davis, Carter Davis

Eucharistic Ministers

8:00 pm Rebecca Woodcock, LG,
Connie Curtiss (1), (IF NO
DEACON), Mary Meine, (2)

Greeters

8:00 pm Tara Engel, Michelle Perrier
8:00 am Nancy Brehmer, Tom Lund
10:30 am Joanne Huegel, Char Stocker

Check in Minister

8:00 pm Anne and Mia Cuccio
8:00 am Patrice Steier
10:30 am Brett Maronde

8:00 am Christiane Lund, LG, John-
Howard Carroll, (1), (IF NO
DEACON), Deb Rowekamp, (2)

Sacristans

8:00 pm Judith Pelowski
8:00 am NOT FILLED
10:30 am Bob Voss

Walk in Ministers

8:00 pm Doreen Johnson, Cheryl Kieffer
8:00 am Jen Good, Mike Good
10:30 am Jackie Tyrrell, NOT FILLED

10:30 am Regina Boehmke, LG,
Charles DeVos, (1), (IF NO
DEACON), Mary
Chestolowski, (2)



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

Tue	Wed	Fri	Sat
12 am	6 pm	10 pm	5 pm
11 pm			11 pm

By choosing an open hour from the graph above, you commit to 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.



What is CEO Rochester?

It is a *Catholic Evangelization Outreach*, ministry at

Resurrection. This ministry is Christ-centered, Spirit Led and Lay driven. Due to Covid 19 this past year, we were unable to offer this ministry. Throughout 2019, we had several speakers who shared where they were before they let Christ into their lives, their conversion experience and what was holding them back from getting closer to Jesus every single day. If you missed hearing their stories or would like to hear them again or share them with your friends, we have video and audio recordings on our website, www.rescathroch.org. They are posted under "Events, CEO Rochester." Some speakers include: Susan Windley Daoust, "God is not a book," Scott Schwalbe, "God does not abandon us," Sheila Pelowski, "The battle is real," Mary McCarthy, "A Pilgrimage of Hope: A story of Cancer, Faith and Medicine" and many more!

Weekly Calendar with Readings

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

Monday
25
January

Mass Registration for Feb 1st/2nd rescathroch.org to sign up
Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/Mk 16:15-1

- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office hours 9:15am - 5:00 pm

Tuesday
26
January

2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 [3]/Mk 3:31-35

- Daily Mass 8:30 am; Office hours: 9:15 am - 5:00 pm
- Society of St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 7:00 pm
- Knights of Columbus Meeting 7:00 pm

Wednesday
27
January

Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 4:1-20

- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office hours: 9:15 am - 5:00 pm
- Stewardship Committee Meeting 5:00 pm

Thursday
28
January

Mass Registration **closes at 10:00 am** for Feb 1st/2nd
Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/Mk 4:21-25

- Mass 8:30 am
- Office Hours 9:15 - 5:00 pm
- Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm

Friday
29
January

Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40 [39a]/Mk 4:26-34

- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office Hours 9:15 am - 5:00 pm

Saturday
30
January

Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [cf. 68]/Mk 4:35-41

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

Sunday
31
January

Mass Registration for Feb 8th/9th rescathroch.org to sign up.
Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 [8]/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

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



Michelle's



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I love it when my friends start conversing about faith, especially when one of them spouts off some fancy term that no one else in the room has heard of before. When that happens, the rest of us react using of three scenarios:

Scenario One: We pretend that everything just said is obvious, common knowledge to anyone who knows anything.

Scenario Two: We realize we need to call that person from the place with the thing and hightail it on out of there.

Scenario Three (And by far the least common): We ask what that term means.

It can be hard for us as humans to admit we don't know everything, especially when it comes to our faith. In reality, there are a lot of things we cannot fully understand, even in our own relationship with God. We don't call it Christ's Paschal "Mystery" for nothing! But let me ease that fear with a quote from Sister Kathleen Hughes when she explained the beauty of liturgy: "The mystery of Christ is made visible when God's holy people actively participate in the same Eucharist, at a single altar, each according to his or her role."

So what does this mean, exactly? Well, it means that if we are active in our faith, Christ will always become visible to us and through us. How incredible is that, really? So when you have questions, be active and ask them aloud. Read the bible and other sacred texts. Have discussions about your faith. Participate in the Mass. Pray. Let's be an active church, one Body of Christ, that makes Christ visible for others to see.

God Bless,
Michelle Perrier

Song of the Week: Many and One
by Angrisano, Hart, and Liles
Check it out on YouTube!

Mass Intentions

Mon	Jan 25	8:30 am	†Doris Curley
Tues	Jan 26	8:30 am	†Scott Rivers
Wed	Jan 27	8:30 am	†Rita Strickland
Thu	Jan 28	8:30 am	†Roger Bibeaul
Fri	Jan 29	8:30 am	†Adam Weeks
Sat	Jan 30	8:00 pm	Reparation of Sins
Sun	Jan 31	8:00 am	For the Parish
Sun	Jan 31	10:30 am	†Darold & Elaine Dauke

St. Francis School News

NWEA Tests continue this week.

The weekly school Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, January 26th at 9:15 am.

Tuesday, January 26th is our HERO Day.

Report cards will be sent home with students in K-3 on Friday, January 29th. Reports for grades 4-8 will be available on the Infinite Campus Portal for parents to view.

Community News

Disclosures A Zoom Presentation for Victim/Survivors. Monday, January 25th - 6:30 -8:00 p.m.; Online (Link Sent to Registrants). Register by email to Paula Kaempffer at kaempfferp@archspm.org or call 651-291-4479 for more information.

Survivors often carry guilt about not telling, even though that protective behavior is very, very common. Many survivors wait years or decades before speaking their truth. This training goes into detail about why for many survivors disclosures are either delayed or don't happen, the process of disclosing, and what disclosure teaches us about prevention.

Presenter is Alison Feigh, MS, Director of Jacob Wetterling Resource Center, a program of Zero Abuse Project. In her role as a subject matter expert on child and teen safety, she works with students, parents, youth workers, faith leaders, law enforcement and the media to help prevent childhood abuse and abductions. Alison's work also includes writing curriculum for youth-serving organizations, training professionals about online challenges kids face and advocating for families of the missing.

Faith Formation



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

Grades 1-5: Faith Formation classes are meeting on Monday, February 1st at 4:30 and 6:00pm. It is great to have the children, parents, and catechists back in church again.

First Communion: If you missed our parent meeting on Monday, January 18th, please contact me to set up a time to pick up your child's yellow folder and cover the information related to First Communion this year. Families will be doing chapter 1 and 2 in your Eucharist workbook.

Teaching Kids to Respect Others: This week our focus chapter is called "Sometimes We Fail to Care." When we prepare children for their first reconciliation, we use the language of loving/unloving choices.

The unloving choices are sins they want to confess, receive absolution, and make amends. One way to teach children about unloving choices is to practice reconciliation among family members and then going to confession from time to time. Children learn when parents model the choice to go to confession. Give children the choice, don't make them go. Teaching them sincerity will foster a better appreciation for the sacrament.

It is a Christian virtue to acknowledge our sinfulness, ask for forgiveness, and to be merciful toward others. Yes, sometimes we fail to care for others, and sometimes it is a loving choice to let someone else love them. Either way, we know it is always right to pray for others because they are all God's children.



Pray: *"Have mercy on me, God, in accord with your merciful love. Turn away your face from my sins; blot out all my iniquities."* Psalm 51



News from Sheila, Birth-KG, Grs 6-12, Children & Youth Ministry, dresscm@rescathroch.org
Code of Canon Law 879:

The sacrament of confirmation strengthens the baptized and obliges them more firmly to be witnesses of Christ by word and deed and to spread and defend the faith. It imprints a character, enriches by the gift of the Holy Spirit the baptized continuing on the path of Christian initiation, and binds them more perfectly to the Church.



Our 2021 Candidates just completed their Confirmation interviews with Father Schuster on Wednesday, January 20th. Now, they prepare for the Rite of Commitment which will take place after their Confirmation Retreat on Saturday, January 30th during the 8pm Mass.

The Rite of Commitment celebrates the candidate's commitment to the Confirmation process. They are presented to the pastor and parish. They publicly state their commitment and then the pastor and parish promise to support their commitment through prayer and action. The candidates also receive a special blessing to assist them as they continue their journey toward a deeper faith in God.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful. And kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And you will renew the face of the earth. Lord, by the light of the Holy Spirit you have taught the hearts of your faithful. In the same Spirit help us to relish what is right and always rejoice in your consolation. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.