

CHURCH OF THE
RESURRECTION
CATHOLIC CHURCH

"This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." Mark 1:12-15

February 21st, 2021
First Sunday of Lent

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

More on the Stations of the Cross

I posed two questions in my column of last week. Let us take an in-depth look at the answers.

Question 1: How far did Jesus walk carrying the cross?

Answer: I provided quotes from two different authors.

Response 1: Jesus' walk up Calvary hill was called "The Via Dolorosa" or the way of suffering. John writes in 19:16-17 that they "delivered him over to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus, and he went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called the Place of the Skull, which in Aramaic is Golgotha." This would mean Jesus was delivered over to the Roman authorities beginning at Pontius Pilate's palace and the distance between there and Golgotha is roughly 650 yards. (Words of Jack Wellman – December 17, 2015).

Response 2: Jesus was crucified outside the city walls, probably outside the northern wall – several hundred meters from the Temple and perhaps 600 meters (650 yards) from Herod's palace. (Taken from Dean Dowling – November 2007).

Summary: Speculation abounds on this question. Certain authors are emphatic that we really don't know because the Bible is silent on the route Jesus took. For those who dare to speculate, such as Wellman and Dowling, the best guess is around 1/3 mile.

Here is an interesting follow-up question: How many miles did Jesus walk during the duration of his ministry? Having typed "Jesus walking" into my smartphone to seek answers to the former question, Google popped up this question. The answer they give is 3,125 miles. If Jesus' public ministry was three years, that means he walked 2.85 miles per day.

However, not to be outdone, they also provide the number of miles Jesus walked throughout the course of his entire life. Conservatively they estimate, 21,525 miles which is the equivalent to almost walking around the entire world. (A thought from Father Schuster: How did they come up with each guess? I have no idea).

Question 2: How much did the cross weigh? The speculative weight of the cross is around 300 pounds. As for the cross bar known as the patibulum, the speculative weight is between 75 and 125 pounds. Speculation abounds if Jesus carried the entire cross or just the patibulum. Most believe it was the patibulum. If it was the patibulum, it would have been placed across the bottom of the neck while being balanced on both shoulders. Whatever side of the spectrum one is on, the accomplishment is remarkable considering Jesus' physical condition (being terribly beaten) prior to his taking up the cross.

Question to Ponder in the Week Ahead

Let us see how well you were listening (or reading). Last week, I gave you the order of the Fourteen Stations. Without looking back, see if you can place the Fourteen Stations in their correct order. I will place a line before each Station and ask you to formulate your best guess as to which station it is. (NO CHEATING!)

____ Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem

____ Jesus is nailed to the cross

____ Jesus falls the first time

____ Jesus is condemned to death

____ Jesus is laid in the tomb

____ The body of Jesus is taken down from the cross

____ Jesus falls the third time

____ Veronica wipes the face of Jesus

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Parish Lent 2021

Lenten Almsgiving Project

Resurrection Parish is collaborating on a Lent project this year for our Lady of Guadalupe Free Clinic in Worthington, MN. Worthington is part of the Diocese of Winona-Rochester in the far southwestern corner of MN and is extremely poor. Worthington is a city with 13,000 people, and more than 40% of its population is Latino. They lack affordable healthcare and have been hard-hit by Covid this year.

More information and a video can be found on the Resurrection website. We also have a prayer card that you may pick up in the church office, gathering space or we can mail it to you. The back of the prayer card lists suggested donation amounts and tells you what each amount will cover at the clinic.

Resurrection's Ca\$h Calendar



A huge Thank You to everyone who responded to the CA\$H CALENDAR raffle promotion. If you mailed back your unpurchased tickets, thank you as they did get sold to other parishioners. If you purchased 1, 2 or more raffle tickets, thank you for your financial support. We were thrilled with over 80% participation in this new venture. All expenses, including the cost of the prize winnings, were taken out of the proceeds which still netted well over \$15,000 profit for our parish. We are most grateful for your prayers and support. Keep watching each week's Bulletin for the names of the lucky winners.

This week's winner for our first \$50 cash calendar raffle is Derlen Oldenburg. Congratulations Derlen!

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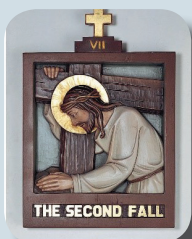
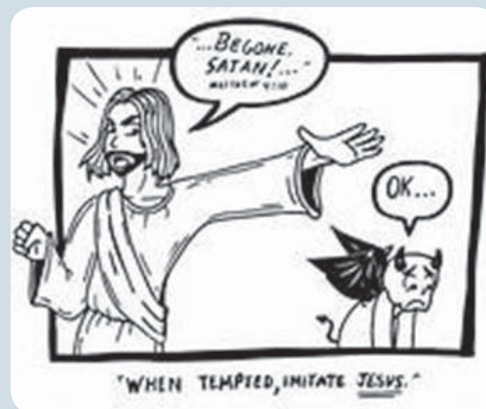
- ____ Jesus is stripped of his garments
- ____ Jesus meets his mother
- ____ Jesus falls the second time
- ____ Jesus dies on the cross
- ____ Jesus takes up his cross
- ____ Simon of Cyrene helps Jesus carry his cross

Good luck! Answers next week.

Until next week! Father Peter Schuster

A Lenten Reflection

Don't overthink Lent! As the following says, "*When tempted, imitate Jesus.*"



We have met our goal of \$35,000 to purchase the new set of Stations of the Cross.

Thank you for your support through prayer and contributions. We will now move forward in purchasing them.

Liturgical Ministries for Feb 27th/28th

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

Lectors

8:00 pm Therese Schoenfelder
8:00 am Denise Koster
10:30 am Thomas Kelly

Ushers

8:00 pm Fred Noser, Marie Noser
8:00 am Kenneth Mueller, Char Robinet
10:30 am Fran Filzen, Shelley Filzen

Eucharistic Ministers

8:00 pm Connie Curtiss - LG
Mary Meine (1) (If no
Deacon), Judith Pelowski, (2)

Greeters

8:00 pm Tara Engel, Lee Witter
8:00 am Gretchen Cutshall, Tom Lund
10:30 am Joanne Huegel, Char Stocker

Check in Minister

8:00 pm Anne and Mia Cuccio
8:00 am LeeAnn Mueller
10:30 am Brody Tyrrell

8:00 am Patrice Steier - LG, Anthony
Vareberg, (1), (If no Deacon),
Barbara Vareberg, (2)

Sacristans

8:00 pm Judith Pelowski
8:00 am Tracy & Donna Smith
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 Denise Kelly - LG, Mary
Chestolowski (1), (If no
Deacon), Charles DeVos, (2)

Food for Friends Thank You!



Food for Friends would like to thank you for your generous time and talents in giving during this difficult past year. It is because of you that this ministry is successful.

In the past month, socks were collected and distributed, a number of blankets were given out, personal hygiene items are being distributed as needed, we are keeping up with the food pantry as requests are made. Channel One does bring in a gallon bag of food items for the children participating to take home on weekends. A

parishioner is purchasing bread each week and sending home with families. A number of tennis shoes were purchased and distributed. Valentines were crafted and distributed. Gift cards for gas and incidentals were purchased and given out with the decision of the administration, social workers, and the Family Liason personnel. Your participation is a blessing and your prayers are working.

As we move forward during this time, and more students are in school, the needs are increasing. Dollar donations are welcome. Continue to pray for the families' health and well being.



Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

Open Hours

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

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

Dedication Candles - February 20th - 27th

1. †Katie Lynn Kingsley
2. Joseph A. Christenson (birthday)



Weekly Calendar with Readings

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

Monday
22
February

Mass Registration for Feb 27th/28th rescathroch.org to sign up
1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6 [1]/Mt 16:13-19

- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office Hours 9:15 am - 5:00 pm
- Faith Formation Classes Gr 1 - 5 4:30pm/6:00 pm

Tuesday
23
February

Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 [18b]/Mt 6:7-15

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

Wednesday
24
February

Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 [19b]/Lk 11:29-32

- Mass 8:30 am; Office Hours 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
- Faith Formation Classes 6:30 pm

Thursday
25
February

Mass Registration **closes at 10:00 am** for Feb 27th/28th
Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8 [3a]/Mt 7:7-12

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

Friday
26
February

Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8 [3]/Mt 5:20-26

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

Saturday
27
February

Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 [1b]/Mt 5:43-48

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

Sunday
28
February

Mass Registration for Mar 6th/7th rescathroch.org to sign up.

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 [9]/
Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

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



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"Return to me with your whole heart." That is what we hear in our very first reading on Ash Wednesday. (Joel 2:12) This idea is very simple, but I think there's far more to it than just what's on the surface. If we return to Christ with our whole hearts, then we are choosing to put our selfish desires aside, to have compassion for all peoples, to trust God completely, and to live the greatest commandment: that is, to love.

Below is a list of opportunities our parish community has created for us to reflect on and live this theme. We hope you will join us as we choose to love and serve Christ with our whole hearts.

Lent Calendar and Stations of the Cross:

rescathroch.org/WP/Stations

This calendar is designed to be a way to learn more about our faith for all ages. There's something in it for everyone, including informational videos from our clergy, new ideas for prayer, family activities and games. Every Friday is the Stations of the Cross. We hope you will tune in every day to pray and learn with us as a community of faith.

Reflection Videos:

Every week, we'll send you videos of guided Lenten reflections from Bishop Barron. If you enjoy prayer groups or bible studies, these are for you!

Almsgiving:

Our Lenten Almsgiving project this year is to raise donations for Our Lady of Guadalupe Free Clinic in Worthington, Minnesota. More information is in the bulletin and in the church. And don't forget about the groups that you can donate to year-round, like St. Vincent de Paul!

Artwork:

Jeffrey Spaulding created a beautiful painting for our Lenten season. We welcome all of you to send us your artwork that reflects the theme, or even Lent in general. We'd love to share it with our community!



Mass Intentions

Mon	Feb 22	8:30 am	†Carol Kelly
Tues	Feb 23	8:30 am	†Holy Souls in Purgatory
Wed	Feb 24	8:30 am	†Jerry Ralphe
Thu	Feb 25	8:30 am	Reparation of Sins
Fri	Feb 26	8:30 am	†Roger Bibeault
Sat	Feb 27	8:00 pm	†Matthew Hanson
Sun	Feb 28	8:00 am	Cathy Roetzler
Sun	Feb 28	10:30 am	For the Parish

St. Francis School News

The weekly Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, February 23rd at 9:15 am.

Our monthly HERO assembly will be Tuesday, February 23rd at 1:20 pm.

Conferences will be held virtually Tuesday, February 23rd and Thursday, February 25th between 4:00-7:00 pm.

Wednesday, February 24th is midquarter day!

Stations of the Cross will be prayed on Friday, February 26th at 1:30 pm.

Community News



What does it mean to truly live your Catholic Faith as a man in every area of life? Virtual Catholic Conference is hosting an incredible and FREE online event for Catholic men across the nation to gather as one, pray, and grow together.

Teaming up with MC, Chris Stefanick, and more than 30 Catholic presenters, we are going to be exploring what it means to live as a courageous Catholic man amidst the challenges of our current world. Register at <https://go.virtualcatholicconference.com/NCMC2021>. This is a free event.

This conference will help you: Learn practical and immediately applicable steps for becoming a strong and faith-filled Catholic man; Discover more deeply the joy of being Catholic men; Gain a clearer vision of God's unique plan for your life. And more!

Faith Formation



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

Grades 1-5: We have classes on Monday, February 22nd at 4:30 and 6:00pm. Next Monday, March 1st, there will not be class for grades 1, 3, 4, and 5 because the children preparing for their First Communion will be having learning centers in all the classrooms.

First Communion: Families will be doing chapter 5 and 6 in your Eucharist workbook, which are due at the learning centers. First Communion parent and children learning centers are on Monday, March 1st; centers are open 4:00-7:00pm in Fr. Zenk Hall.

The Year of St. Joseph: Pope Francis wrote *Patris corde* against the backdrop of the pandemic, which he says has helped us to see more clearly the importance of "ordinary" people who exercise patience and offer hope every day. He described St. Joseph as "the man who goes unnoticed; a daily, discreet and hidden presence," who nonetheless played "an incomparable role in the history of salvation."

A Prayer to St. Joseph: Glorious St. Joseph, spouse of the Immaculate Virgin Mary and foster father of Jesus Christ, obtain for me and all the members of my family a pure, humble, and charitable mind and perfect resignation to the Divine Will. Be my guide and model throughout life, that I may merit to die, as you did, in the arms of Jesus and Mary. Help us St. Joseph in our earthly strife to fulfill all our responsibilities and ever to lead a pure and sinless life. Amen.



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

Since returning to class in-person, Faith Formation students and teachers have been concluding class with the Holy Rosary. We have been sharing with the students that faith formation is not only religious education, but also a divine appointment with our Father in heaven. Praying the Holy Rosary is a beautiful way to spend time with Jesus, at our divine appointment, with Him in the tabernacle, and asking his mother to intercede for our intentions. *Hail Mary, the Lord is with thee. Pray for us! Amen*

