

CHURCH OF THE
RESURRECTION
CATHOLIC CHURCH

"They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him."

John 20:1-9

April 4th, 2021

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection

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

Saturday: 8:00 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am (STARTING APR 11TH)

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

Easter Wishes

A blessed Easter to all! History has been marked by many events. We think about kings, wars, pandemics, treaties, etc. Yet, the one event that has changed human history more than any other is the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The apostles went into the world to preach Jesus Christ. Martyr after martyr has died for their belief in Jesus Christ. Billions upon billions of Christians through time have been baptized and proclaimed a belief in Jesus Christ. The story of Jesus Christ has changed and converted souls.

We are always asked about priorities, putting together a list together of what is most important to us. My list could be debated but my top four would be:

Number 4 – Friends

Number 3 – Family

Number 2 – My priesthood

Number 1 – My faith

I could never envision life without Jesus Christ. Jesus gives us lessons for life. How we are to live. How we are to face our sin. How we are to love. How to find happiness. A life lived for Christ is a life filled with hope. And no, myself included, would want to miss the invitation of Jesus Christ to live with Him forever.

And so, what does Easter mean for you?

Questions on Easter

Here are some questions surrounding Easter. See if you can answer them correctly.

Question 1: What do we call the Sunday prior to Easter Sunday?

Question 2: Whose tomb was used to bury the body of Jesus?

Question 3: Here is a question from last week. Who was the first to discover that Jesus had risen?

Question 4: Without looking at a calendar, how many days removed is Easter from Ash Wednesday?

Question 5: Easter Sunday falls after the first 'what' following the northern hemisphere's vernal equinox?

Question 6: Joseph of Arimathea, and which other biblical character, hurriedly prepared the body of Jesus' for burial?

Question 7: Which date is the earliest date in the calendar that Easter Sunday can take place?

Question 8: Which date is the latest date in the calendar that Easter Sunday can take place?

Question 9: Easter begins the Easter Season. How many days mark the Easter Season?

Question 10: Which two apostles were the first to visit Jesus' empty tomb?

Question 11: Who came down from heaven to Jesus' tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it?

Here are the answers:

Question 1: Palm Sunday

Question 2: Joseph of Arimathea

Question 3: Mary Magdalene

Question 4: 46 (without counting Easter Sunday) or 47 (counting Easter Sunday)

Question 5: full moon

Question 6: Nicodemus

Question 7: March 22

Question 8: April 25

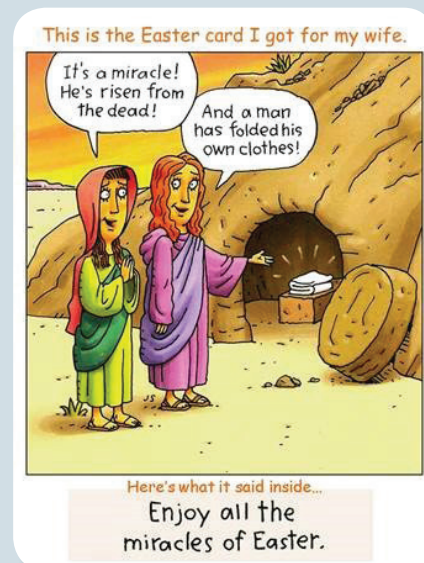
Question 9: 50

Question 10: Peter and John

Question 11: An angel of the Lord

Easter Sunday Holy Humor

An Easter miracle with a cheap shot to boot!



Till next week, Fr. Peter Schuster

Parish News



Our Lent project this year is to raise funds 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. It 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 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. If you want to contribute, make the check payable to Church of the Resurrection with a note it is for Lenten Almsgiving. You can drop it in the collection baskets, drop box by the office door or mail it to our Parish.



Divine Mercy Sunday April 11th. MASS TIME CHANGE FROM 8:00 AM TO 8:30 AM; WE WILL CONTINUE WITH OUR 10:30 AM MASS.

We will not be hosting an event for Divine Mercy Sunday again this year.

Resources available to check out. Websites: thedivinemercy.org (video: Divine Mercy

Matters 3 episodes; downloadable & referenced booklets/pamphlets); ewtn.com (prayers, videos

Television: (cable; Channel 80; DirectTV channel 370); April 11th starting 9:00 am -3:00 pm;

Mass, Holy Hour, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, etc.

The Courier (Diocese of Winona's monthly newsletter) is available to read on our website rescathroch.org. On our Home page, scroll down to Announcements and click on the red button "Continue Reading"; then click on "Read Here: The Courier".



We are pleased to announce that Nancy Brehmer and Mary Kessler have volunteered to take care of our green plants, flowers, etc. in the Gathering Space, church and Adoration Chapel. If you notice a plant that may need watering or pruned, please contact the office. Please do not water the plant or clip any leaves. We also want to thank Mary Herring for her years of service taking care of the plants, bringing in cut flowers from her gardens and maintaining the flowers for our seasonal liturgies. We were truly blessed to have her be a part of our Art and Environment committee.



Operation Hometown Gratitude was very successful again this year! 95 boxes were packed for shipping thanks to your generosity. We received cash donations in the amount of \$2,115 which included a \$500 check from Catholic United Financial. It is impossible to accurately

estimate monetary value of the gifts of supplies since 2/3-3/4 of the boxes were filled at home and delivered, ready to be taped. Cards, letters, and pictures were included, thanks to Resurrection Parish families and St. Francis students. Our Parish families did an amazing job of decorating the boxes for mailing. The creativity and detailing was amazing. A shout out of thanks goes to my group of volunteers who showed up on Wednesday and/or Saturday to sort, pack, and tape boxes. All of your efforts and prayers are sure to lighten and warm the hearts of our deployed troops. Thank you, Resurrection, for sharing and showing your appreciation!

Karen Reopelle, Chairperson

WE ARE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE,
during this Year of St.



Joseph, that Resurrection will be starting a **Men's Prayer Group** beginning in September. The group will meet twice a month

with no meetings planned during summer months. The purpose of the group is to help men grow in their faith, help men understand their purpose, to provide fellowship and encouragement to men and to strengthen families.

All men of Resurrection ages 18 and older are welcome. Contact the parish office at 507-288-5528 if interested.

Liturgical Ministries for April 10th/11th

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

Are you interested in serving in a Resurrection Liturgical ministry? Contact Michelle Perrier, Music and Choral Director, Coordinator of Liturgy at michellep@rescathroch.org or call 507 288 5528, ext 112.

Lectors

8:00 pm Denise Koster
8:30 am Richard Miller
10:30 am Denise Kelly

Greeters

8:00 pm Lee Witter, NOT FILLED
8:30 am Nancy Brehmer, Dianne Plager
10:30 am Char Stocker, Bob Voss

Ushers

8:00 pm Fred Noser, John Schoenfelder
8:30 am Kenneth Mueller, Char Robinet
10:30 am James Maronde, William Sullivan

Sacristans

8:00 pm Judith Pelowski
8:30 am Tracy & Donna Smith
10:30 am Fran Filzen

Eucharistic Ministers

8:00 pm Diane Woodworth - LG,
David Poirier (1), (IF NO DEACON),
Judith Pelowski, (2)
8:30 am Barbara Vareberg - LG, Helen
Alexander (1), (IF NO DEACON),
Anthony Vareberg (2)
10:30 am Charles DeVos, LG, Gary
Tschann (1), (IF NO DEACON),
Brenda Tschann (2)

ISALAH, a multifaith, non partisan coalition of faith communities are working with our state legislators on racial and economic justice in Minnesota. On Saturday, April 10th they have put together a forum with our state legislators as an opportunity for you to talk to your state legislatures about systemic change for those in our community that are have been affected with these issues. You will engage in discussion of key happenings during the ongoing session of the state legislature, which will set their budget and economic recovery plan for the next two years. You will have a chance to ask questions of and hear from our Rochester area legislators on issues like paid family leave, childcare, climate change, voting rights and more. Following this session, the group will strategize action steps on how to stay involved. If interested in this virtual forum with our legislators, that will happen on Saturday, April 10th starting at 10:00 am, contact Mary Carroll, OSF at 507.272.4670.



Resurrection's Ca\$h Calendar Winner

This week's winner for our \$50 cash calendar raffle is Mary Lou Klann
Congratulations Mary Lou!

Dedication Candles April 3rd - 10th

1. †Joseph Scheffler
2. Sellner/Sanders families



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.



2021 Catholic
Ministries Appeal
Share the Light of Hope

Ending March 19th, 2021

Resurrection's Parish Goal	\$80,166
Received and/or Pledged	\$47,435
Percent of Goal	59.17%

Weekly Calendar with Readings

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

Monday 5 April	Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Mt 28:8-15 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Daily Mass 8:30 am• Office Closed
Tuesday 6 April	Acts 2:36-41/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 [5b]/Jn 20:11-18 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Daily Mass 8:30 am;• Office Hours 9:15 am - 5:00 pm
Wednesday 7 April	Acts 3:1-10/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9 [3b]/Lk 24:13-35 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Daily Mass 8:30 am• Office hours: 9:15 am - 5:00 pm• Faith Formation Classes Gr 6 -10; 6:30 pm• Music Theory Class 6:30 pm
Thursday 8 April	Acts 3:11-26/Ps 8:2, 5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Lk 24:35-48 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mass 8:30 am;• Office Hours 9:00 am - 5:00 pm• Marketing & Communication Meeting 5:00 pm• RCIA 6:30 pm• Choir Party 6:30 pm
Friday 9 April	Acts 4:1-12/Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-24, 25-27 [22]/Jn 21:1-14 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Daily Mass 8:30 am• Office Hours 9:15 am - 5:00 pm• Wedding Rehearsal 5:00 pm
Saturday 10 April	Acts 4:13-21/Ps 118:1, 14-15, 16-18, 19-21 [21a]/Mk 16:9-15 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sacrament of Reconciliation 9:15 am - 10:15 am• Wedding 3:00 pm• Mass 8:00 pm
Sunday 11 April	Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-3 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Divine Mercy Sunday Mass 8:30 am• Divine Mercy Sunday Mass 10:30 am• Confirmation Year 1 Class 6:30 pm



Michelle's

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Coordinator of Liturgy
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Last Easter Vigil, I was alone in my church reading the Word of God and singing the Exsultet.

As strange and sad as it was, I was filled with hope knowing that the following Easter I would be surrounded by my new, loving, welcoming community at the Church of the Resurrection. Today is that day, and I cannot help but remember the end to the Exsultet: "Therefore, o Lord, we pray you that this candle...may persevere undimmed, to overcome the darkness of this night...May this flame be found still burning by...Christ your Son, who...lives and reigns for ever and ever."

There's been hardship for all of us this past year. Today, we are reminded that amidst all the consternation and tribulation, Christ has been forever present in our lives. His love continues to be just as unwavering and never-ending as it was when he suffered and died on the cross so we might have eternal life with him.

As we light our Paschal Candle, this year depicting the Sacred Heart of Jesus, let us remember the words we have been singing at the end of Mass every week during Lent, which come straight from the Divine Mercy chaplet: "You are the Son of the Living God. Jesus, I trust in you."

Simple, yet these words are the essence of what we proclaim this and every day. So let us rise up, place ourselves completely before our God, rejoice in his love, and sing together the last verse of Hallelujah Is Our Song during Communion, our song of the week: "What hope we have, even in the longest night, for the light will overcome. And we shall live; sinners, we will rise to saints. Hallelujah is our song."

Blessings to you this Easter season!

God Bless,
Michelle Perrier

Mass Intentions

Mon	Apr 5	8:30 am	Reparation of Sins
Tues	Apr 6	8:30 am	Frisby Family
Wed	Apr 7	8:30 am	†Joseph Scheffler
Thu	Apr 8	8:30 am	Chris Alexander
Fri	Apr 9	8:30 am	†Betty Gibson
Sat	Apr 10	8:00 pm	†Rae Ann Vigen
Sun	Apr 11	8:30 am	For the Parish
Sun	Apr 11	10:30 am	†Nathan Holtegaard

St. Francis School News

School resumes on Tuesday, April 6th.

School Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, April 6th at 9:15 am with grades K, 2 and 3 attending.

Wednesday, April 7th is Paraprofessionals Day!

Report cards will be available for viewing on IC for grades 4-8 and sent home with students in K-3 on Thursday, April 8th.

Friday, April 9th will be a non-uniform day.

The Light in On: Diocese of Winona's outreach initiative to get people to return to confession.
Check in out: www.thelightisonsouthernmn.org.

Schedule Change for April ROCHESTER ROSARY RALLIES

Please NOTE that there will NOT be a 3pm Rosary Rally at the Government Center on 2 Sundays in April: Easter Sunday (April 4) and Divine Mercy Sunday (April 11), to allow everyone time for family gatherings and Divine Mercy celebrations. We will resume our weekly, public Rochester Rosary Rallies for our country, conversion, and peace on Sunday, April 18. These rallies continue to be held near the Rochester Government Center at the corner of 4th St. SE and 3rd Ave. SE at 3pm, the Divine Mercy Hour, lasting about 35 minutes. If you are ever unable to join us physically, please consider joining us spiritually by praying a Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet from wherever you are. May our united prayers through Mary find the heart of Jesus. Questions: 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.

An Easter Prayer: Lord, the Resurrection of your Son has given us new life and renewed hope. Help us to live as new people in pursuit of the Christian ideal. Grant us wisdom to know what we must do, the will to want to do it, the courage to undertake it, the perseverance to continue to do it, and the strength to complete it. Amen.



First Communion: Our practice is on Monday, April 19th in the church at 6:30pm. One parent needs to stay with their child. Children will wear their First Communion outfits and there will be time for parents to take their pictures. Families can prepare for First Communion by practicing the steps of communion and following the order of the Mass.

Totus Tuus is coming to Resurrection. We invite all children entering 1st-6th grades this summer, join us for a week of summer fun, friends, and faith. Totus Tuus will be the week of Monday, June 28-Friday, July 2, 9:00am-2:30pm. The cost is only \$15 per child or \$30 for a family. Registration can be found on our website under Faith Formation Grades 1-5.

The Year of St. Joseph: During this year, we celebrate, honor, and remember the men in our lives who emulate St. Joseph. Who are these men in your life? Do you thank them for their guidance, their faith, their obedience to God, their virtues, and their many ways they love their families? If your "Josephs" have passed from our earthly life, call on them to intercede for you from heaven. Today is a good day to sit down and write a list of the men who have supported you in large and small ways. Include fathers, godfathers, grandfathers, priests, coaches, teachers, and leaders. Keep the list close to you and pray for them on a regular basis. *St. Joseph, pray for us! Amen.*



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

A year ago, we were all home, on lock down. We were all struggling, validly, with varying degrees of reality, united by being shut-in, locked down. What would the world look like a year later? One year ago, this prayer was in my April 4th bulletin article:

"Jesus, really present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the altar, since I cannot now receive thee under the sacramental veil, I beseech thee, with a heart full of love and longing, to come spiritually into my soul through the Immaculate Heart of the Most Holy Mother, and to abide with me, thou in me, and I in thee, in time and in eternity. Amen."

Today I am so much more thankful to receive Holy Communion and to gather as community. There are still things I miss - like Pancake Breakfast and Donut Sunday, but I am looking forward to the renewed spirit when we are allowed to gather again. I trust it will be Holy Spirit lead, Holy Spirit filled, guided by purpose and mission as a community of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. The risen Christ. For now, I pray in thanksgiving of what I do receive, especially the body, blood, soul and divinity of our Lord Jesus Christ.

A Prayer of St. Basil, the Great. *O Master Christ, our God, King of the ages., Maker of all things: I thank you for all the good things you have given me, especially for communion with your Immaculate and life-creating Mysteries. I pray you, O Good one and Lover of Man: preserve me under your shelter, beneath the shadow of your winds. Qualify me, even to my last breath, to partake of your holy things worthily and with a clear conscience, for the remission of sins and unto eternal life. For you are the Bread of life; the Source of sanctification, the Giver of all good things and to you we send up glory, with the Father and the Holy Spirit now and ever and unto ages of age. Amen. Happy Easter. He is Risen!*