

CHURCH OF THE
RESURRECTION
CATHOLIC CHURCH

*"Receive the Holy Spirit."
John 20:19-23*

May 23rd, 2021
Pentecost Sunday

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

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

"I am..." I would like to devote a column to the seven "I am" statements of Jesus Christ. To each statement, I would like to offer a reflection.

1. I am the door/gate. Within each home, there is a door which undergoes constant use. In our house growing up, it was the door leading from the garage into the entryway. Imagine the number of times the door is opened and closed. We take the door for granted until finally something happens to it. The door will no longer latch, a hinge rots and can no longer support the door, etc. The purpose of the door is to provide protection from the outside elements and from allowing intruders to enter. When I was growing up as a child, we rarely locked the door. Trust was a given. Those days have changed. Doors are locked. Jesus promises as "the door" that he will not allow someone to enter who may take one of his sheep or harm one of his sheep. While he allows us to have free will, opening the door when we want to "get out," he may offer us a word of caution on the way out the door. Think about how many doors we see which have a sign hanging from them offering a piece of advice on the way out or on the way in. What are Jesus' words to us as we move to and fro this day?

2. I am the way, the truth, and the life. Let us look at each of those.

A. The way – Have you even come to a "T" in the road. Turn right and it leads to... Turn left and it leads to... The choice is left up to us. Not so with Jesus. He is "the way." Turn opposite of the way Jesus shows and we find ourselves steeped in sin. That is why it is important for us to spend time with Jesus. In knowing him, we recognize "the way."

B. The truth – Jesus Christ is the truth. No lie was ever uttered from his lips. He is truth. Everything he has taught us is the truth. Want to know how to forgive? Listen to Jesus. Want to know how to love? Follow Jesus. It is the truth. It is in his word that we find spirit and life.

C. The life – Jesus is life. When we sin, we find

ourselves at the feet of Jesus because only in him do we find the way back to life. I know from my own life that when I do and say what Jesus asks of me I am at peace. Peace = life. How important is this peace? I don't have to live a life of looking over my shoulder and asking "what have I just done?"

3. Closely aligned with Jesus as "the life" is Jesus as the Resurrection and the Life. This may sound somewhat bleak but the destiny is each of us is the grave. We will all face death. Yet, the promise of Jesus is that if we live the life he has taught us, the truth he has given us, and his way in our thoughts and utterances, we will have resurrection life after death. Pause and think about that for a moment. We can have everything in this world yet if we do not have life with Jesus Christ in heaven we have nothing. Hell is a possibility and it is no joke. If this column is a wake-up call for one's life, then so be it. My one goal is to help everyone experience heaven. Too, that includes me.

4. I am the Good Shepherd. Shepherds take care of sheep. We are the sheep. Sheep can have their own personalities. Some are more vocal, outgoing, tend to stray from the flock. So it is with us. Each of us was created by God, infused with a soul, with the sole purpose of being a unique creation. Try as people might to claim that identical twins are "identical" and it does not hold water. By the fact that each has a unique soul makes them unique. As the Good Shepherd, what does Jesus promise?

A. To care for his flock. When we are wounded, who better to seek out than the Divine Physician.

B. To be the voice of the flock. Sheep like the comfort of the shepherd's voice. It is a voice we are to seek.

C. To fight for his flock. A shepherd will run off the "wolves" who seek to take his flock.

5. I am the vine. The gospel of the Fifth Sunday of Easter was the gospel of the vine. Who is the vine? Jesus Christ. Who are the branches? We are. It isn't the other way around. We are to stay on the vine for it is with Jesus that we grow and flourish. Separate oneself from the vine and it can only lead to death. Looking at branches, we see our story. No two branches are alike. No two humans are alike. Each has their own characteristic. Yet, again, as different as we are, the one thing we all are to have in common is to stay attached to the vine. Attachment = life. Independence = death. It is that simple.

Parish News

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6. I am the Bread of Life. Read John 6. It says everything. The bread that I will give is my flesh for the world. Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. All of these are quotes from the sixth chapter of John's gospel. It is clear that Jesus gave us the Eucharist so we may have life. The Eucharist is not a sign or symbol of Jesus Christ. The Eucharist is the Real Presence and Jesus tells us to take (eat and drink) his body and blood. How simple is it? Receiving the Eucharist = we have life. No Eucharist = no life.

7. I am the Light of the World. What is the purpose of light? To help us see. Jesus came for that purpose, to help us see. To help us see what our words can do. To help us see how our actions impact another. To help us see what a life of service can bring. Light is also meant to destroy. Light and darkness cannot exist side by side forever. One will eventually give way to the other. The promise of Jesus is that if we follow him, listen to him, darkness will never have the final say. Light has won the victory.

In closing, these "I am" statements have been part of my prayer and reflection lately. We have heard several from John's gospel these past Easter weeks. May my thoughts open your minds to the meaning each has for you!

Till next week! Father Peter Schuster

Rest In Peace

Let the Perpetual Light Shine
Upon Them



†**Mary Priebe Vine**

Died May 13th

Survived by her daughter Annie
and family members

†**Rajapu Reddy Pothireddy (Ravi)**

Died May 15th

Brother to Fr. Marreddy;

Ravi (51 years old) and his family live in India; he is also survived by his wife, Lilly Mary, daughter, Bala Spandana and son, Sravan Joseph.

Fr. Marreddy Pothireddy's address is:

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Spring Valley, MN 55975-1312

Dedication Candles

May 22nd-May 29th

1. Evelyn Scheffler
(Birthday)



Resurrection's
Ca\$h Calendar Winner

This week's winner of our \$50 cash calendar raffle
is Josh Noser

Congratulations, Josh!

Baptism

Born to a new life in Christ and joined
to our faith community through the
Waters of Baptism,
we welcome:

Braiden Ross Stensrud

Baptized

May 9th, 2021

Child of

Nicholas and Mary Jane



Liturgical Ministries for May 29th/30th

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 Therese Schoenfelder
8:30 am Patricia Rossman
10:30 am Thomas Kelly

Greeters

8:00 pm Lee Witter, NOT FILLED
8:30 am Nancy Brehmer, Tom Lund
10:30 am Tara Engel, NOT FILLED

Ushers

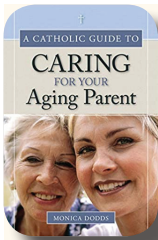
8:00 pm John Schoenfelder, Chris Sellner
8:30 am Kenneth Mueller, Tom Pries
10:30 am James Maronde, Char Stocke

Sacristans

8:00 pm Judith Pelowski
8:30 am Tracy & Donna Smith
10:30 am Bob Voss

Eucharistic Ministers

8:00 pm Connie Curtiss - LG, Theresa Root, David Poirier, (IF NO DEACON)
8:30 am Christiane Lund - LG, Jerry Krantz, Marylu Nemgar, (IF NO DEACON)
10:30 am Mary Stettler - LG, Mary Chestolowski, Leonida Crawley, (IF NO DEACON)



Are you a caregiver for an older adult? Elder Care Ministry of Resurrection will host a Book Give Away ~ 'A Catholic Guide to Caring for Your Aging Parent' by Monica Dodds. Drawing on Monday, May 31 ~ the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Please register in the Gathering Space throughout the month of May ~ the Month of Mary, who along with her Son, Jesus, shows us how to care for others with love and compassion. You may also call the church office to register at 288-5528. Please include your name, phone # and/or email on the registration.

About the book: "A Catholic Guide to Caring for Your Aging Parent" is a comprehensive guide for caregivers. Author, Monica Dodds, insists that faith is a fundamental part of caregiving, and her approach is deeply rooted in Catholic spirituality. She shows adult children how they can love and serve their aging parents better by deepening their own spiritual lives. "Caregiving", she says, "is a time of many grace-filled moments." Dodds explains how to properly assess the needs of a failing older person, and she writes in detail about the physical, mental, emotional, interpersonal, and spiritual dimensions of care. Three extensive appendices provide checklists for assessing needs, a compilation of resources, and an anthology of prayers. This book is also available through LoyolaPress.com for \$14.95."



Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

Open Hours

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

"Sitting before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, a new life begins. Another birth takes place; eternal life within us."

Mother Elvira Petrozzi

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

St. James Coffee has a prayer ministry on the edge of 41st Street NW every Tuesday morning from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. as a witness and invitation for those driving by to stop in the parking lot of Pax Christi Church to receive free coffee and prayer if desired.

They are in need of volunteers to keep this ministry alive. A once a month commitment would be good and of course more time welcome.

If you are interested or have questions, please contact Margaret at mugsmulli@gmail.com. Thank you!

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
May

Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14/Ps 87:1-2, 3 and 5, 6-7/Jn 19:25-34

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

Tuesday
25
May

Sir 35:1-12/Ps 50:5-6, 7-8, 14 and 23 [23b]/Mk 10:28-31

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

Wednesday
26
May

Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13 [Sir 36:1b]/Mk 10:32-45

- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office hours: 1:30 pm - 5:00 pm (Closed from 9:00 am-1:00 pm)
- Music Theory 6:30 pm

Thursday
27
May

Sir 42:15-25/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [6a]/Mk 10:46-52

- Mass 8:30 am;
- Office Hours 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
- RCIA Class 6:30 pm
- Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm

Friday
28
May

Sir 44:1, 9-13/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Mk 11:11-26

- Daily Mass
- Office Hours 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
- Wedding Rehearsal 5:00 pm

Saturday
29
May

Sir 51:12cd-20/Ps 19:8, 9, 19, 11 [9ab]/Mk 11:27-33

- Sacrament of Reconciliation 9:15 am - 10:15 am
- Wedding 3:00 pm
- Pentecost Saturday Mass 8:00 pm

Sunday
30
May

Dt 4:32-34, 39-40/Ps 33:4-5, 6, 9, 18-19, 20, 22 [12b]/Rom 8:14-17/
Mt 28:16-20

- The Most Holy Trinity Mass 8:30 am
- The Most Holy Trinity Sunday Mass 10:30 am



Michelle's



Music & Choral Director &
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We all know the story of Pentecost. The apostles were hiding in fear when they were filled with the Holy Spirit. They then began to teach everyone in the streets, and even those who spoke different languages were able to understand.

Pentecost, then, is the feast that we recommit ourselves to proclaim God's word through the grace of the Spirit. But it's more than that. We also celebrate the gifts we have blessed with to pour out the love of Christ to the world.

I could imagine that God gave me my voice for my own pleasure, to become rich and famous, and to use it only when the pay was good. On the other hand, I can understand that my voice was given to me to make a difference, to bring the mourning comfort, the sorrowful joy. I can choose to use it to help a person confront a situation, and I can use my knowledge of music to pass on to future generations. Whatever gifts we have, whatever talents we possess, today we recommit our desire to fill them with love.

As we conclude our Easter liturgy, then, I want to leave us with the painting from Avery, our parishioner who poured out her love into this work for us to rediscover Christ this season. And as we are sent forth today, let us recommit ourselves once again to be instruments of Christ's love through the talents we have received.

God Bless,
Michelle Perrier



Song of the Week:
"Above All"
by Michael Smith

Check it out on YouTube!

Mass Intentions

Mon	May 24	8:30 am	†Keith Larson
Tues	May 25	8:30 am	†Patricia Baker
Wed	May 26	8:30 am	†Dan Motley
Thu	May 27	8:30 am	†Veronica Mudge
Fri	May 28	8:30 am	†Ardell Flicker
Sat	May 29	8:00 pm	†Charlie Collins
Sun	May 30	8:30 am	†Joyce Baumler
Sun	May 30	10:30 am	For the Parish

St. Francis School News

The weekly school Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, May 25th at 9:15 am with grades K,2 and 3 attending.

Tuesday, May 25th is our monthly HERO day. We will review all the virtues of Charity we have learned this year.

Community News

Immaculate Conception Church of rural Kellogg will have a Spring Take-Out Lunch available for a free-will donation on Sunday, May 30 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Menu includes pork loin sandwiches, baked beans, coleslaw, chips, cookie, milk, and water. There will also be a preview/inspection of items on their online consignment auction being held from May 23 through June 1. Go to www.plainviewauctions.com for more information on the auction. Immaculate Conception Church is located at 22032 CR 18, Kellogg.

Do you have paper that needs shredding? If so, Beckley's will have a Paper Shred Event to support local non-profits which includes our parish, Church of the Resurrection on Wednesday, May 26th and Thursday, May 27th from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Limit 10 boxes per vehicle. Cost is \$10/box and Beckley's will donate \$5/box to Church of the Resurrection. Cash or checks, no credit card will be accepted for this event. Beckley's is located at 125 Woodlake Dr. SE, (near Whistle Binkies on the Lake). Call 507 288 8659 with questions.

Faith Formation



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

Totus Tuus: Grades 1-6 Day Camp is Monday, June 28-Friday, July 2. We start at 9:00am every day and end at 2:30pm. Cost is \$15/child or \$30/family. Registration form is on our website under Faith Formation, Grades 1-5, Totus Tuus. Stop by the Faith Formation table in the Gathering space to see the photos from Totus Tuus and how to volunteer during the week. We look forward to a fun week with skits, songs, games, worship, prayer, and friendship. Our focus this year is the Glorious Mysteries and the Commandments.

The Year of St. Joseph: Those who appear hidden or in the shadows can play an incomparable role in the history of salvation. Pope Francis has focused on St. Joseph as a model and guide for us on this journey. Why Joseph? Because, even though he never speaks in the Scriptures, his role is so significant that no saint aside from Mary, his spouse, is mentioned more often in the Church today. Yet he exists in the shadows—much like the frontline workers in our hospitals, grocery stores, post offices, and everywhere that essential personnel are keeping the needs of our daily lives met. This quiet man, who responded to God's voice coming to him in dreams, who fulfilled the role of earthly father to Jesus, is an excellent person to ponder in these troubling days. From "Walking with St. Joseph," Joseph never speaks in the Scriptures, but he is a man of reflection and action. As a descendant of David and husband of Mary, Joseph bridges the Old and New Testaments. Pope Francis says that it is often the quiet folks doing their jobs patiently and well—those we don't stop to consider when shelves are stocked, mail is delivered, and children are cared for—who perform the most significant acts. Each caregiver, driver, teacher, or parent-stepping-in is a hero. *PONDER:* Who have I failed to notice in the course of the day? *PRAY:* God of wonder and surprise, thank you for the gift of all those who help in whatever way, each and every day.



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

The Coming of the Spirit.

When the time for Pentecost was fulfilled, they were all in one place together. And suddenly there came from the sky a noise like a strong driving wind, and it filled the entire house in which they were. Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. And they were all filled with the holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them to proclaim. —Acts 2 1:4

Today we celebrate the birth of the Church and all who have been reborn into the mystical body of Christ. The first Christians prepared for Pentecost through prayer. Upon receiving the Holy Spirit, the first Christians were then prompted to go forth, to act. Holy Spirit Come! Help me to be the best version of myself, help me to persevere, and to truly desire eternal life in heaven. Amen.

Totus Tuus Prime Time! — for students entering grade 7 through 12th grade.

Sunday, June 27 through Thursday, July 1st. 6pm to 10pm. FREE! Drop-ins welcome

Dinner at 6pm followed by games/social time. Topic Study/Prayer begins at 7pm and ends at 9:15. Bonfire to follow until 10pm.

Sunday: Call to Holiness/Call to Beatitude

Monday: Moral Virtues/Theological Virtues

Tuesday: Humbly We Adore You Lord/Meditation/Adoration and Confession

Wednesday: Apologetics/Vocations/Stewardship

Thursday: Evening Social