

CHURCH OF THE
RESURRECTION
CATHOLIC CHURCH

"Be vigilant at all times and pray that you have strength to escape the tribulations that are imminent and to stand before the Son of Man."

Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

November 28th, 2021
First Sunday of Advent

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

Rosary:

Saturdays: 7:30 pm

Weekdays: 8:10 am Monday - Friday

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

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Weekly Words from The Rock

Eucharistic Miracles

Our Sunday Visitor provided an "In Focus" on Eucharistic miracles in its September 12-18, 2021 edition (pages 9-12). I would like to share one last miracle with you.

Sokolka, Poland (2008): On Sunday, October 12, 2008, at 8:30 a.m., at St. Anthony's Parish in Sokolka, Poland, a consecrated host fell to the ground during the distribution of Communion. The host was then placed in a vasculum to dissolve by the parish sacristan, Sister Julia Dubowska of the Congregation of the Eucharistic Sisters, who then placed the container in the parish sacristy safe. A discoloration could be seen on the host a week later when she checked on its condition.

The pastor thought that it was likely simply dirt, but brought it to the attention of the metropolitan archbishop of Bialystok, Edward Ozorowski. The stained host was put back in the tabernacle, but this time placed on a small corporal and kept in secret for three years. A histopathological study was done on the host when the archbishop eventually formed an ecclesial commission. In the resulting inquiry, professor Maria Sobaniec-Lotowska and professor Stanislaw Sulkowski, two specialists of pathological anatomy at the Medical University of Bialystok, in independent tests and with the source unknown, found in agreement that human cardiac muscle tissue from the left ventricle (as in the cases of Lanciano and Buenos Aires) had been joined to the Eucharist in an inseparable manner. The structure of the transformed fragment of the host is identical to the myocardial heart tissue of a living person at death. The heart muscle fibers were found under electron microscope to be inseparably connected at the molecular level with that of the "bread" in a manner that was not humanly possible.

In his official statement, the Metropolitan Curia

of Bialystok declared: "The Sokolka event is not opposed to the faith of the Church; rather, it confirms it. The Church professes that, after the words of consecration, by the power of the Holy Spirit, the bread is transformed into the Body of Christ, and the wine into His Blood. Additionally, this is an invitation for all ministers of the Eucharist to distribute the Body of the Lord with faith and care, and for the faithful to receive Him with adoration."

The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen. I have been reading a book entitled The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen. The book shares a thread of Bishop Sheen's wisdom for each day of the year. In the weeks ahead, I would like to share some of his wisdom.

July 18 - "Nothing is more destined to create deep-seated anxieties in people than the false assumption that life should be free from anxiety."

July 19 - "It is easy to find truth, though it is hard to face it, and harder still to follow it."

August 11 - "There are not one hundred people in the United States who hate the Catholic Church, but there are millions who hate what they wrongly perceive the Catholic Church to be."

August 12 - "Books are the most wonderful friends in the world. When you meet them and pick them up, they are always ready to give you a few ideas. When you put them down, they never get mad; when you take them up again, they seem to enrich you all the more."

Catholic Humor: Here is a question I ask myself every, single day.



Till next week! Father Peter Schuster

Parish News

You're Invited to an evening of Grief Support on Tuesday December 7th from 6:30-8:00 in Zenk Hall. There will be a short presentation by Randy Stocker and then we will gather in small groups to get to know each other and to share our stories. Topics to include: Grief Misconceptions, coping with grief during the Holidays, how to help and understand someone who is grieving, the seven intentions of Mourning. Please bring a picture of your loved ones to the meeting. If you or a family member are grieving the loss of a loved one, please plan to attend and bring a friend.

Our annual Holiday Bazaar, has been canceled due to Covid 19 concerns. We are grateful for the time and effort Bev Sanders and her CA\$H Calendar raffle team have put in for the 2022 Cash Calendar.

Another CA\$H CALENDAR RAFFLE goal has been reached! First, we solicited enough donations to cover the start-up expenses of the Raffle. Now, thanks to you, we have reached our next goal of enough tickets sold (144) and money collected to cover the expense of all of the prizes that will be awarded. Let us keep those ticket sales going so that we can raise a record amount of money to benefit our Parish community! A ticket purchase makes you eligible to be one of the 52 weekly winners of anywhere from \$50 to \$500 which is more than the \$30 cost of that ticket. Remember all buyers and prize winners must be 18 years of age or older. Tickets are available in the Church Office. Please return all unsold tickets ASAP to allow them to be purchased by others who wish to purchase extra tickets. The deadline for all entry stubs, money and unsold tickets to be returned to the Church Office is Jan. 15, 2022. This allows time for all tickets to be accounted for; a requirement of the MN State Gambling Board.

Operation One More

Please help support **Operation One More at Resurrection** which supports Ben Franklin and an additional school and their families at Riverside Elementary for a holiday meal. This food helps support families during the school winter break when they do not have access to the school food shelf. Contact Stephanie Collura for more information or to help at Stephanie.collura@gmail.com. This is a great opportunity for your family to get involved in a service ministry.

Operation One More provides food to families with young children struggling with food insecurity. We are a holiday food assistance program that has been serving students and their families who are enrolled in the backpack program of a Rochester elementary school for the last three years. Due to an outpouring of support and generosity for this program we are able to expand our services and help for students and families from a second elementary school.

The food collected will provide enough food for a full holiday meal with non-perishable items as well as bread, milk, and a turkey. The extra food helps students get through winter break while they do not have access to the food shelf at school. The holiday season can often bring extra financial burden to those already struggling, and it is our hope that these families are able to find a bit more peace and joy during the holiday season with your help.

During this time, as we collect and prepare for food delivery, we find inspiration and encouragement in the words of Mother Teresa, ***"If you can't feed one hundred people, then just feed one."***

Pick up the food list from the table in the Gathering Space.

Christmas Flowers Donation

If you would like to donate to our Christmas Flower Fund in memory of or honor of a loved one, please complete the form below, cut it out and put it in an envelope marked "Christmas Flowers." Drop in the collection basket or in the mail drop box on the wall by the office door. Thank you.

In Memory of/Honor of (circle one): (Name) _____

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Parish News continued

Resurrection's Giving Trees 2021

This year, we have added two more trees for the Advent/Christmas Season. We will have the Elder Care Ministry/Family Promise Tree, a Resurrection Ministry Tree and a Children's Tree that will be located by Fr. Schuster's office. There is more information available by each tree. Thank you for your continued support of our Parish.

We will be taking up a collection for Resurrection's Society of St. Vincent de Paul through the Advent Season

St. Vincent de Paul serves residents in the Rochester area with financial support for rent, utilities, groceries, fuel, medical, child care, car repairs, etc. A dollar for dollar will be matched up to \$5,000. *Thank your for your continued support.* Please pray for those they serve and for the volunteers who spend time responding to their needs and giving them hope. St. Vincent de Paul meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm in Zenk Hall Room C. If interested in learning more about this ministry, contact the church office at 507-288-5528.

The Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Holy Day of Obligation,
Wednesday, December 8th
Mass Times: 8:30 am and 7:00 pm



Dedication Candles November 27th - Dec 4th

1. †Leone Motl



This week's winner of our \$50 cash calendar raffle is:
Michael and Pamela Delaney

Congratulations,
Mike and Pamela

Liturgical Ministries for Dec 4th/5th

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

Lectors

8:00 pm Liz Hanson
8:30 am Josephine Washnieski,
Micki Miller
10:30 am Fran Filzen, Allen Aksamit

Greeters

8:00 pm NOT FILLED (2x)
8:30 am Gloria Flicek, Dianne Plager
10:30 am Joanne Huegel, Char Stocker

Sacristans

8:00 pm Judith Pelowski
8:30 am Mary Lose
10:30 am Shelley Filzen

Ushers

8:00 pm Jerry Krantz, Lee Witter, NOT
FILLED (1x)
8:30 am Kenneth Mueller, Tom Pries,
NOT FILLED (1x)
10:30 am Gordon Robertson, Brandon
Weick, Nick Weick

Servers

8:00 pm Lucas Benz, Beli Jones
8:30 am Avery Washnieski, NOT FILLED
(1x)
10:30 am Chase Boehmke
Abby Weick

Eucharistic Ministers

8:00 pm Patricia Max, B1, Walter Max,
B2, Connie Curtiss, B5, (IF NO
DEACON)
8:30 am Char Robinet, B1, Timothy
Geisler, B2, Christiane Lund, B5,
(IF NO DEACON)
10:30 am Gary Tschann, B1, Brenda
Tschann, B2, Rebecca
Woodcock, B5, (IF NO DEACON)

Weekly Calendar with Readings

Monday
29
Nov

Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-1

- Rosary 8:10 am
- Mass 8:30 am
- Faith Formation Classes Grs 1-5; 6:00 pm

Tuesday
30
Nov

Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10]/Mt 4:18-22

- Rosary 8:10 am
- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office Hours: 9:00 - 5:00 pm

Wednesday
1
Dec

Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Mt 15:29-37

- Rosary 8:10 am
- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office Hours: 9:00 - 5:00 pm
- Faith Formation Classes Gr 6-10 6:30 pm

Thursday
2
Dec

Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]/Mt 7:21, 24-27

- Rosary 8:10 am
- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office Hours: 9:00-5:00 pm
- Music Ministry 6:00 pm
- RCIA 6:30 pm

Friday
3
Dec

Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-3

- Rosary 8:10 am;
- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office Hours: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
- Serrans 11:00 am
- Wedding Rehearsal 4:00 pm

Saturday
4
Dec

Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. Is 30:18d]/Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

- Sacrament of Reconciliation 9:15 am - 10:15 am
- Wedding 12:00 pm
- Rosary 7:20 pm; Mass 8:00 pm
- Cookie Saturday

Sunday
5
Dec

Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6

Donut Weekend - following Sunday Mass

- Mass 8:30 am
- Mass 10:30 am
- Music Ministry 6:30 pm



Michelle's

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I drove to Resurrection one Sunday praising God, recognizing the growth I had made that week and praying for strength to act with compassion in any situation. Less than five hours later, I was dismayed knowing that, once again, I let all the little things that morning bother me and affect my service to Christ. The fact of the matter is that vices take time to transform into new, good habits. It is something that is not necessary easy to accept, especially as we work so hard to become more like Christ.

In the secular world, we customarily make resolutions at the new year. So today, let's make spiritual resolutions with the beginning of this new liturgical year. Of course, we should strive to be more Christ-filled with each passing day. Secondly, however, I think we should resolve not to lose sight of our hope. When life gets difficult, remember that out of infinite grace our divine Lord, Jesus Christ entered into this world as one of us so that we might have salvation through him. Remember his unconditional love as he forgave us even after being nailed on a cross to suffer and die. The next time we feel drained and heavy in sin, let's rejoice in the knowledge of our hope, our light, our Lord Jesus Christ.

But let's make one more resolution. Let's offer to shine Christ's light on the world so that others may come to know his saving love as well. I leave you with the prayer we'll hear on Christmas Day: "Grant, we pray, Almighty God, that, as we are bathed in the new radiance of your incarnate word, the light of faith, which illumines our minds, may also shine through in our deeds."

God's blessings be upon you this Advent season!

God Bless,
Michelle Perrier

Song of the Week: "God So Love the World" by
John Stainer

Mass Intentions

Mon	Nov 29	8:30 am	†Shirley Neylon
Tues	Nov 30	8:30 am	†Francis Delaney
Wed	Dec 1	8:30 am	†Souls in Purgatory
Thu	Dec 2	8:30 am	†Brian Wilson
Fri	Dec 3	8:30 am	†Maggie DeStazio
Sat	Dec 4	8:00 pm	†Owen Sudman
Sun	Dec 5	8:30 am	For the Parish
Sun	Dec 5	10:30 am	†Lori Sue Norris

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel 24 hours/7 days a week

Open Hours in need of Adorers



Thur	Sat
3 am	10 am
	1 pm
	2 pm
	6 pm

Contact the church office at 507-288-5528 for more information or to sign up for an hour of Adoration.

Resurrection's Community Advent Rosary This week's Advent's Rosary intentions:

- Nov 28th: The people of the Church of the Resurrection as we open ourselves to Christ this Advent Season
- Nov 29th: Those in our parish community who are sick, both mentally and physically
- Dec 1st: Pope Francis.
- Dec 2nd: An increase in vocations
- Dec 3rd: Eucharistic Adorers and for an increase in adorers
- Dec 4th: Bishop Quinn

Closing Prayer: *Heavenly Father, open our hearts during this Advent season to prepare for the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Hear our prayer and draw us closer to you in holiness. Send a renewed presence of your Holy Spirit in the people of Resurrection Catholic Church. We make this prayer though Christ our Lord.*
Amen.

Faith Formation

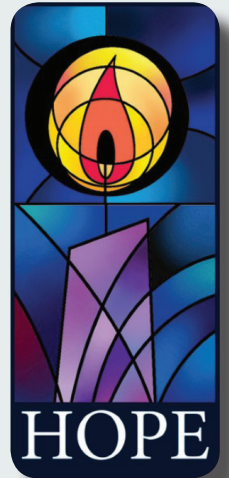


News from Stacey, Grades 1-5, Family Ministry, dre1to5fm@rescathroch.org.

Grades 1-5: We have Faith Formation class for grades 1-5 at 6:00-7:00pm on Monday, November 29th. Our prayer tables have changed from the green of ordinary time to the purple of Advent. We've added an Advent wreath with candles and a small nativity scene for the children to pray around.

First Sunday of Advent: Today is a good time to establish ways that your family can keep and honor the season of Advent. Does your family have an Advent wreath? Do you use an Advent calendar to count the days until Christmas? Do you have a nativity scene that your family sets up in a special place? Do you have a prayer corner in your home? Do you pray a blessing prayer for your Christmas tree? How will you prepare your heart as well as your home to receive the Christ child? However your family decides to celebrate each week of Advent, let each member be heard. Listen to each other and discover what would be meaningful for every person.

The First Sunday of Advent is known for the HOPE we hear in the readings. It is a very hopeful time. My goddaughter recently moved to Rochester to start a new job. She is living in an apartment, on her own, for the first time. She is at a hopeful stage of her life. Last week, she asked me if I had a small tree that she could borrow for Advent. I was thrilled to give her the little tree that her grandfather, my dad, had given me about ten years earlier. It's the little tree I usually set up on the credenza in my office. It is small, has white lights, and is perfect for my office. It will be even better for her apartment. This little tree has been blessed every Advent and it has listened to O Antiphons being sung in the hallway. It has held a hopeful star and homemade ornaments from children and it knows how to make Advent merry and bright. It is my hope and prayer that my niece will see, hear, and be blessed by this little tree.



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

Faith Formation and Confirmation Families:

Operation One More (food baskets) has been collecting food for Ben Franklin and Riverside Elementary families since mid November and will continue through Sunday, December 12th. This food helps support families during the school winter break when they do not have access to the school food shelf.

Contact Stephanie Collura at 314-374-9239 or email at Stephanie.collura@gmail.com for more information or to help! This is a great opportunity for your family to get involved in a service ministry.

Food Collection dates: NOW through Sunday-December 12th.

ITEMS NEEDED: Canned vegetables, canned soup, canned fruit, canned chicken and/or tuna, peanut butter and jelly, dry pasta and pasta sauce, macaroni and cheese, bags of rice, instant potatoes or stuffing, & oatmeal.

We are also collecting money needed to purchase milk and bread!! Make checks payable to Church of the Resurrection, noting Operation One More.

Drop off food items in the black bin by the office; your monetary donation, mark your envelope Operation One More and put in the collection basket or drop in the mail drop box by the office door.

Christmas gift for Students: GAME DRIVE

If you are out shopping, pick up a board game. Food for Friends has a mission to give games to the kids at Ben Franklin at Christmas time. Drop off the Food for Friends table by December 13th.