CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

"For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last."

Luke 13:22-30

Aug 14th, 2022 21st 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 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 - 4:00 pm

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Weekly Words from The Rock

8 Reasons to Go to Mass

As I noted last week, I have an article of whom I am uncertain of the author's name, however I have kept the article for a period of several years. It is entitled "8 Reasons to Go to Mass." Last week, when it comes to why we should go to Mass, I presented two of the eight reasons.

Reason 1. The Third of the Ten Commandments given to Moses by God is, "Remember to keep holy the Sabbath day" (Exodus 20:8). We attend Mass because it is a "direct order" from God.

Reason 2. The Mass was instituted at the Last Supper by Jesus Himself on the night before his Crucifixion. The Last Supper was the first Mass. Luke 22:14,19 reads, "When the hour came, he [Jesus] took his place at the table with the apostles...Then he took the bread, blessed it, and gave it to them, saying, 'This is my body, which will be given for you. Do this in memory of me."' When we celebrate the Mass, we repeat the Last Supper, as Jesus commanded us to do. In doing this, we remember and re-present His great act of love for us on the Cross – taking our sins upon Himself so that we, if we follow His commandments, could live with Him forever in heaven.

Let us look at a few more today.

Reason 3. The Church teaches that we must fulfill the command of Jesus ("Do this in memory of me") by attending Sunday Mass (or the Vigil Mass the night before). As for the Mass, the Precepts of the Church state the following:

- A. You shall attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation keeping them holy.
- B. You shall confess your sins at least once a year. Confessing of sins ensures preparation for the Eucharist.
- C. You shall humbly receive your Creator in Holy Communion at least during the Easter season. This guarantees a minimum reception of the Lord's Body and Blood.

D. You shall observe the prescribed days of fast and abstinence. Such ensures times of self-discipline and penance which prepare us for the liturgical feasts.

Reason 4: Why should we obey these teachings of the Church? Where does the Church get its authority? From Jesus Himself. In Matthew 16:18-19, Jesus made Peter the head of His Church – the first Pope. He gave Peter and the Church "the keys of the kingdom of heaven." The Church's authority in faith and morals is absolute because Christ's authority is absolute.

Reason 5: What do we do at the Mass? The Mass is first of all a sacrifice – the perfect sacrifice, created by Jesus. Through the priest we offer Jesus, Body and Blood, to the Father, just as Jesus offered Himself to the Father on the Cross on Good Friday. In an unbloody way, we repeat – make present – Christ's death and Resurrection. Through this memorial of Jesus, we offer God our praise, sorrow for our sins, and deepest thanks.

The Mass is also a meal. At the Consecration, the bread and wine, through the power of the Holy Spirit, become the Body and Blood of Christ. Not a mere symbol, but Jesus's real flesh and real blood, under the appearance of bread and wine. When we receive Holy Communion, we receive Jesus Himself. He is real food for our soul. He said this very plainly: "I say to you, 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. My flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him" (John 6:55-56).

What are the benefits of Holy Communion? It strengthens our union with Jesus; He lives within us in a special way. It cleanses us from venial sins. It gives us grace to avoid sin in the future. It increases our love of God and neighbor.

Reason 6: Why do we have to worship with other people? God made us social beings. He wants us to come together in community to worship Him. Jesus said, "Where two or more are gathered together in my name, there am I" (Matthew 18:20).

We will look at Reasons 7 and 8 next week.

Till next week! Father Peter Schuster

Marian Concert

@ Church of the Resurrection

Date

We welcome you to come and pray in the church as we offer up spirit-filled music from the beginnings of Christianity to our modern times dedicated to the Mother of God.

Monday, August 15 | 7:00pm on the Solemnity of the Assumption

> All are welcome!

Summer Prayer Services

@ Church of the Resurrection

Structured similarly to Steve Angrisano's mission talks last February, we invite you join us in worship and song as we pray, sing, and reflect on God's word through stories and reflections.

Dates

Tuesdays 6:30pm in the church

> All are welcome!

July 19: Mercy

August 2: Hope in Christ

August 30: Go, Glorifying the Lord

Liturgical Ministries for Aug 21sth/22nd

If unable to fulfill your ministry as scheduled, please request 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.

Lectors

8:00 pm Therese Schoenfelder 8:30 am Patricia Rossman, Timothy Geisler 10:30 am Allen Aksamit, Denise Kelly

Greeters

8:00 pm Tara Engel 8:30 am Joanne Huegel, Jim McCarthy, Mary McCarthy 10:30 amNOT FILLED

Sacristans

8:00 pm Judith Pelowski 8:30 am Char Robinet 10:30 am Bob Voss

Servers

8:00 pm Lucas Benz 8:30 am NOT FILLED 10:30 am Evan Chestolowski, Ian Teshirogi

Ushers

8:00 pm John Schoenfelder, Kelton Schoenfelder, Reilyn Schoenfelder 8:30 am Teresa Allers, Jerry Krantz, Kenneth Mueller 10:30 am James Maronde

Eucharistic Ministers

8:00 pm Ryann Witter, B1, Judith Pelowski, B2, Liz Hanson, B5 (IF NO DEACON) 8:30 am Patty Hale, B1, Joan Miller, B2, Patrice Steier, B5 (IF NO DEACON) 10:30 am Barbara Vareberg, B1, Marianne Aksamit, B2, Mary Chestolowski, B5 (IF NO DEACON)

Parish News

Food for Friends Ministry Backpack Project - The Backpack/School Supplies project is underway! We wish to get the students off to a great start of being prepared with needed supplies.

Stop by the FFF table and pick up a backpack. The school supply list is in the backpack. You will also see a tag on the front, which is numbered. This is to track how many backpacks are out and getting filled. Please choose a grade level to buy supplies, and write on the tag what grade the supplies are for. I have also attached a supply list, if you wish to get started and get the backpack at a later date. We would like everything turned in at the church by the weekend of August 27/28. Feel free to turn in earlier as we can be more prepared at the school for pickup.

If you wish to not purchase all the supplies for a backpack, purchase the items you wish, and drop off at the FFF table. We also receive backpacks and a few supplies from the Running Start program. We supplement these backpacks with the extra supplies needed. All supplies will be used. Items that we do not seem to get enough of are washable markers, colored pencils, highlighters, glue sticks, pencil boxes, pencil sharpeners, dry erase markers, children scissors. We appreciate your support with this project. Pray for continued blessings for the students & staff at Ben Franklin.

Families with Mayo High School students - if your child drives to school, we have parking for them in the church parking lot. Parking is for Church of the Resurrection's families only. Call the church office to get your pass to park.

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel 24 hours/7 days a week



We are in need of Adorers. Call the church office at 507-288-5528 for more information on how to sign up for an hour of Adoration.



Dedication Candle Aug 13th-Aug 20th

†Derek Gossman

Weekly Calendar with Readings			
Monday 15 Aug	Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56 • Rosary 8:10 am • Daily Mass 8:30 am Assumption of Mary (not a Holy Day) • Office Hours 9:00 am - 4:00 pm • Marian Concert 7:00 pm		
Tuesday 16 Aug	Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30, 35cd-36ab/Mt 19:23-30 • Rosary 8:10 am; Daily Mass 8:30 am • Office Hours 9:00 am - 4:00 pm • Adoration Team Meeting 6:00 pm • Pastoral Council Meeting 7:00 pm		
Wednesday 17 Aug	Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 20:1-16 • Rosary 8:10 am • Mass 8:30 am • Office Hours 9:00 - 4:00 pm		
Thursday 18 Aug	Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/Mt 22:1-14 • Rosary 8:10 am; Daily Mass 8:30 am • Office Hours 9:00 am - 4:00 pm • Music Ministry 6:00 pm		
Friday 19 Aug	Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 22:34-40 • Rosary 8:10 am; Daily Mass 8:30 am • Office Hours 9:00-4:00 pm • Serran Board Meeting 9:00 am • Quinceneara Rehearsal 11:00 am		
Saturday 20 Aug	Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 23:1-12 • Sacrament of Reconciliation 9:15-10:15 am • Quinceneara 2:00 pm • Saturday Mass 8:00 pm		
Sunday 21 Aug	Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2/Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30 • Sunday Mass 8:30 am • Sunday Mass 10:30 am		



Michelle's



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So the last two weeks I've focused my articles on who Saint Mary is and why. So as I conclude this discussion of Mary, I want to pose one more question: who is Mary to you?

Maybe Mary is your spiritual mother, the mother you can always turn to and ask for her prayers. She can be the one who you talk to about everything and use her life as a guide for how to solve the problems that come your way.

Maybe Mary is not just your spiritual mother, but your mother as well, especially when you are unable to talk to the mother who bore you. When you feel lost, frightened, or alone, she can be there to lead you to Christ, the one who conquers all things. Maybe Mary is your friend, the friend who calls you out on all your mistakes in a loving way. She can be the one to encourage you to do the right thing over serving your self-interests.

Maybe Mary is your saint, the person you look up to, the person you strive to emulate. She can teach you to be giving, or loving, or all the many qualities she is. By following her example, you can learn to be these things, too.

I encourage you to take some time this week to ponder this question. Come join us at 7:00pm for the Marian concert, where you can pray deeply through the music being sung. Pray the rosary at least once this week. Ask our Mother to pray for us, so that we can grow in hope and love. God's blessings be with you this Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

God Bless,

Michelle Perrier

Song of the Week: "Holy is His Name" by Talbot

Mass Intentions

Mon	Aug 15th	8:30 am	†Hedwig Liepe
Tues	Aug 16th	8:30 am	†Marlys Gathje
Wed	Aug 17th	8:30 am	Conversion of Sinners
Thu	Aug 18th	8:30 am	†Nancy Lorrig
Fri	Aug 19th	8:30 am	†John Tauzell
Sat	Aug 20th	8:00 pm	For the Parish
Sun	Aug 21st	8:30 am	†Janice Cain
Sun	Aug21st	10:30 am	†Bonnie Osborn

Community News

The Church of St. Paul Council of Catholic Women (CCW) will hold their 29th Annual Salad Luncheon which on Wednesday, August 17, 2022 from 11 am to 1:00 pm at the Church of St. Paul, 749 South Main Street, Zumbrota, MN. There will be delicious assorted salads, cheese trays, deviled eggs, French bread and beverages. Adults- \$10; children 6-12 - \$4; 5 and under - free. Take-outs are available, please call 732-5347.

Starting August 24: Trauma Reboot a nationally utilized Christian program to assist those who have experienced trauma. It is a faith-based approach to assist our people in healing from financial, relationship, employment and illness stressors. The program begins Wednesday, August 24th, 6:15pm at St. James Coffee. It occurs each Wednesday for 12 weeks with light refreshments, a video presentation, and a led discussion. To be successful, each participant receives a short assignment each week to strengthen their healing. Jesus Christ, the Divine Healer, is present during these sessions. Interested? Participants can contact Marilyn Baker (mkbak7@gmail.com) for more details and registration instructions. Once each person is registered (\$20 fee), the Trauma Reboot program will mail the participant a book. The registration deadline is August 15th.



CA\$H CALENDAR RAFFLE #2

Weekly winner of our \$50 cash calendar raffle is Kelly Seifert. Congratulations Kelly!

Summer Series: The Sacraments



Now when the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent them Peter and John, who went down and prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Spirit, for it had not yet fallen upon any of them, they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit. Acts 8:14-17

The beginning of your relationship with Christ was marked by your baptism. At that moment, your soul was permanently changed. No longer a mere creation, now an adopted child of God, you were grafted onto the body of Christ, filled with God's grace, and given a shared mission with Christ as priest, prophet, and king. Pretty amazing start to the Christian life.

Your faith journey continued through attending Mass on Sunday with your family, learning to pray, receiving First Reconciliation and First Communion, joining faith formation classes and youth group, and learning to serve others in our community. Each of these commitments (and perhaps challenges) navigated and nurtured a real relationship (friendship) with Jesus and prepared you for the next Sacrament on your journey—Confirmation.

The reception of the sacrament of Confirmation is necessary for the completion of baptismal grace. For "by the sacrament of Confirmation, [the baptized] are more perfectly bound to the Church and are enriched with a special strength of the Holy Spirit. Hence they are, as true witnesses of Christ, more strictly obliged to spread and defend the faith by word and deed."

Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) 1285

So what are the effects of Confirmation and why do we need them? At Confirmation, the Holy Spirit deepens and strengthens the gifts received at baptism, and seals them within us. It also:

- roots us more deeply in the divine filiation which makes us cry, "Abba! Father!",
- unites us more firmly to Christ,
- increases the gifts of the Holy Spirit in us,
- renders our bond with the Church more perfect,
- gives us a special strength of the Holy Spirit to spread and defend the faith by word and action as true witnesses of Christ, to confess the name of Christ boldly, and never to be ashamed of the Cross:

These gifts are beautifully wrapped presents to seek out, discover, open, and utilize to build up the Kingdom of God. — Recall then that you have received the spiritual seal, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of right judgment and courage, the spirit of knowledge and reverence, the spirit of holy fear in God's presence. Guard what you have received. God the Father has marked you with his sign; Christ the Lord has confirmed you and has placed his pledge, the Spirit, in your hearts.—120 St. Ambrose, De myst. 7,42:PL 16,402-403. CCC 1303

Confirmation deepens our baptismal life that calls us to be missionary witnesses of Jesus Christ in our families, neighborhoods, society, and the world. We receive the message of faith in a deeper and more intensive manner with great emphasis given to the person of Jesus Christ, who asked the Father to give the Holy Spirit to the Church for building up the community in loving service. ~from the United States Catholic Catechism for Adults How amazing, astonishing really, that God gifts us with participation in the salvation narrative! Our personal success in living out God's will for us requires our time...taking time for our friend Jesus so that He can prepare and equip us to face the daily challengers of life and help us to go forth and share the good news!

Here at the Church of the Resurrection, once in high school, students make an active 2-year commitment to study and grow in faith before affirming their YES to the mission of Christ through the Sacrament of Confirmation. —For adults over 18 the process to be confirmed is completed through RCIA– Rite of Christian Initiation. **Contact Sheila for more information @dresscm@rescathroch.org**.