



CHURCH OF THE
RESURRECTION
CATHOLIC CHURCH

"Repent for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!"

Matthew 3:1-12

December 4th, 2022
Second 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 - 4:00 pm

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Weekly Words from The Rock

'Tis the Season

Of this time of the year we often hear it said, "'Tis the Season." "'Tis the Season" is about the seasons of Advent and Christmas. In the Catechist magazine of November/December 2016, we find a quiz around these two seasons. Let us look at some of the questions this week.

Question 1: Fill in the blank. "O Come, O come Emmanuel and ransom captive _____.

- A. Israel
- B. Nazareth
- C. Bethlehem
- D. Jerusalem

Question 2: True or False. When the Virgin Mary announced she was pregnant, everyone was happy.

Question 3: Mary was the mother of _____.

- a. John the Baptist
- B. God but not Jesus
- C. God
- d. Jesus but not God

Question 4: True or False. Mary was a teenager when the angel told her she would be the mother of God's son.

**First Reconciliation and
Communal Penance Service**
Tuesday, December 6th at 6:30 pm

Question 5: When did/will the kingdom of God begin?

- a. when Jesus returns
- b. when Mary conceived Jesus in her womb
- c. when people stop sinning
- d. with Jesus' death and resurrection

Question 6: True or False. It was snowing when Jesus was born on the first Christmas in Bethlehem.

Question 7: True or False. St. Francis of Assisi, who is credited with being among the first to use a crèche scene to remember the Christmas story, was present at the birth of Jesus Christ.

Question 8: True or False. The readings at Mass for the first weeks of Advent focus on Jesus' second coming and the judgment of the world.

Extra Credit: I highlighted and entitled this section "'Tis the Season." Complete this phrase "'Tis the Season _____."

My purpose this week is to pose the questions. Good luck and we will look at the answers next week.

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.

April 20 – "The greatest inhumanity that can be ascribed to men is having an opportunity for doing good to others and doing nothing. The serious sin is not always one of commission, but omission."

Till next week! Father Peter Schuster

Holy Day of Obligation Thursday December 8th

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Masses: 8:30 am and 7:00 pm

Isaiah Olsem, our Seminarian, will give a short presentation on how to pray Lectio Divina with scripture, followed by a short bible study, "Praying with the Gospels" at Resurrection on Sunday, December 11th, from 9:40-10:20 am (in between Sunday Masses) in Room D&E. All are welcome to attend. There is no fee or signup – you are welcome to attend any session. This is not a Bible Study that you need to read and prepare before coming to the sessions.

On Thursdays, at 9:15 am, there will be a weekly Bible Study on the upcoming Sunday Mass Readings in Room D/E led by Tracy and Donna Smith. There is no fee, nor signup – you are welcome to attend any session – This is not a Bible Study that you need to read and prepare before coming to the sessions. If you would like to watch a preview of the upcoming week, you can check them out at <https://catholicproductions.com/blogs/mass-readings-explained-year-c>. Any questions, contact the office at 507 288 5528.

Parish News



Food For Friends Ministry and Operation One More will be delivering food as a gift to the Franklin families the week before Christmas.

It is our hope that we are able to bring a bit of joy during the often financially stressful, holiday season. Please consider donating non-perishable items to the collection bins located in the gathering space.



Collection dates are November 12-December 11, with delivery on December 17. Food being collected is peanut butter/jelly, canned veggies and fruit, canned soup, canned tuna and chicken, dry pasta, pasta sauce, boxed potatoes, rice and cereal. Monetary donations are also welcome for the purchase of milk, bread and turkeys and any additional food needed to fill the bags. Checks payable to Operation One More.

Food For Friend's ministry has grown to more than just food. We help in so many ways due to Resurrection's support. At Franklin, they have a classroom which is a resource room for students and parents to go to for food, tennis shoes, winter wear, clothing, personal hygiene, school supplies, and meeting with parents to help provide extra resources. Students/Families are welcome to stop in for extra food, clothing, school supplies and winter gear. We have already seen an increase in families using this resource. Kara Merrill, Franklin's Community School Facilitator, works with the staff, students, and families. In her words: "Together we collaborate with students, families, and the school community to foster partnerships and support learning through providing resources and opportunities for all." More information on this is posted on the Food for Friends table if you are interested.

Businesses support Food for Friends: If you have the opportunity, thank Fleet Farm in donating two cases of shopping bags to have on hand for sending food and items home with students. Scheel's donated 60 pair of winter mittens. The Knight's of Columbus will be donating winter coats. Parishioners continue to donate dollars, food, winter wear, bath towels, socks, laundry soap, children's books, school supplies, and clothing. The Food for Friends is a blessing successful ministry.



Not enough time to go shopping? What to get that "hard to buy a gift for" person?

How about a gift that could be delivered (via mail) sometime between Feb. 2023 and Feb. 2024? For just \$25, the named recipient has a chance to win \$50, \$100, \$250 or \$500 - what a gift!

Stop by the table in the Gathering Space before and/or after Masses on Dec.3rd/4th to buy that ticket on your way to Fr Zenk Hall for Cookie Saturday/Donut Sunday. Tickets are also available for purchase in the Church Office during open hours.

Keep in touch with us! Receive emails monthly on what is happening at Resurrection. Connect with us online at: churchoftheresurrectio20.flocknote.com. If you need assistance on how to sign up, please call the office 507 288 5528.

CASH CALENDAR RAFFLE #2

Weekly winner of our \$500 cash calendar raffle is Maureen Amundson. Congratulations, Maureen!

December 8th - Holy Day of Obligation

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mass times are 8:30 am and 7:00 pm

Liturgical Ministries for December 10th/11th

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 Darci Kopischke
8:30 am Timothy Geisler, Denise Koster
10:30 am Allen Aksamit, Marilyn Baker

Greeters

8:00 pm Tara Engel
8:30 am Gloria Flicek, Larry Flicek,
Joanne Huegel
10:30 am Shelley Filzen, Annabelle
Notermann

Sacristans

8:00 pm Judith Pelowski
8:30 am Gretchen Cutshall
10:30 am Fran Filzen

Servers

8:00 pm Lucas Benz, Jaelyn Schoenfelder
8:30 am Madilyn Keller
10:30 am Chase Boehmke, Fiona Robertson

Ushers

8:00 pm Fred Noser, Josh Noser, Marie
Noser
8:30 am Teresa Allers, Kenneth Mueller,
Char Robinet
10:30 am James Maronde, Gordon
Robertson, Kelly Schreiner

Extraordinary Ministers

8:00 pm Theresa Root, B1, Ryann Witter,
B2, Judith Pelowski, B5 (IF NO
DEACON)
8:30 am Deb Rowekamp, B1, Joan
Miller, B2, Micki Miller, B5 (IF NO
DEACON)
10:30 am Jackie O'Connell, B1, Marianne
Aksamit, B2, Regina Boehmke,
B5 (IF NO DEACON)

Christmas Flower Offering

Please cut out the form and return in an envelope with your offering. Thank you.

Christmas Flower Offering For: (Please print)

Circle One

(Name)

In Memory/ In Honor of

(Name)

In Memory/In Honor of

(Name)

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Perpetual Eucharist Adoration Chapel

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



Dedication Candle

Dec 3rd - Dec 10th
†Calvin Kessler



Christmas Giving Tree for Family Promise and

Elder Care Ministry. Please stop by the table to pick up a flyer that lists the needs of these ministries and/or an envelope for cash donations.

Weekly Calendar with Readings

Monday 5 Dec	Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Lk 5:17-26 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rosary 8:10 am• Daily Mass 8:30 am• Office Hours 9:00 am - 4:00 pm• Faith Formation Classes Gr 1-5; 6:00 pm
Tuesday 6 Dec	Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13/Mt 18:12-14 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rosary 8:10 am; Mass 8:30 am• Office Hours 9:00 am - 4:00 pm• First Reconciliation and Communal Penance 6:30 pm• St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting 7:00 pm
Wednesday 7 Dec	Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/Mt 11:28-30 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Men's Prayer Group 7:00 am• Rosary 8:10 am; Daily Mass 8:30 am• Office Hours 9:00 am - 4:00 pm• Faith Formation Gr 6 - 10 6:00 pm
Thursday 8 Dec	Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rosary 8:10 am• Holy Day Masses 8:30 am and 7:00 pm• Sunday Mass Explained Study Group 9:15 am• Music Ministry 6:00 pm
Friday 9 Dec	Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt 11:16-19 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rosary 8:10 am• Daily Mass 8:30 am• Widows Prayer Group 9:15am
Saturday 10 Dec	Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sacrament of Reconciliation 9:15-10:15 am• Saturday Mass 8:00 pm
Sunday 11 Dec	Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mass 8:30 am; Mass 10:30 am• Sunday School 10:30 am• Sunday School Christmas Concert & Reception 11:45 pm• Music Ministry 11:45 am



Michelle's



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Excerpt from our Gifts of Mercy Advent Daily Reflections:

I remember the first time I got really sick after I moved out of my family home. It was the flu, and a terrible flu at that. To make matters worse, I couldn't skip any of my college classes and I had a performance later that week. I didn't know what to do. I had an incredibly high fever, with no voice whatsoever, and I could barely think. I felt so bad I took my very first dose of cold medication. But even that didn't work! Desperate, I called my parents, not knowing what else to do.

A few minutes later, my mother picked me up and drove me home. She and my dad spent the rest of the day caring for me and whispering words of comfort. They tucked me into my childhood bedroom and helped me get ready for school the next day. I still felt terrible that morning, but the love given to me by my parents helped me face all the challenges of that day.

The last thing most of us want to do is visit the sick, but doing so can make such an incredible difference in their life. Just like our parents help us get better, let us be there for those we see sick or injured and do what we can to help them find the strength to face the challenges of the day. Lord, source of all that is good, please watch over those who are in need of your help. May they find healing through your merciful love and the goodness of others.

It's not too late to join us on our Advent study this year on the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. Grab a reflection booklet today and pray with us as we prepare for Christ through prayer, conversion, and mission.

Song of the Week: "Christ, Shine in Our Lives"-
Chris Muglia

**Gifts of Mercy Community Event
at Resurrection:
Sunday, December 18, 2:00-4:00pm**

Mass Intentions

Mon	Dec 5th	8:30 am	†Owen Sudman
Tues	Dec 6th	8:30 am	†St. Indesdizon
Wed	Dec 7th	8:30 am	†Bruce Borg
Thu	Dec 8th	8:30 am	†Anthony Dobbelaere
		7:00 pm	For the Parish
Fri	Dec 9th	8:30 am	†Marlys Wampach
Sat	Dec 10th	8:00 pm	†Arthur Mueller
Sun	Dec 11th	8:30 am	†Joseph Scheffler
Sun	Dec 11th	10:30 am	For the Parish

Community News

The Church of St Francis of Assisi, Rochester, is seeking a Parish Administrator. Responsibilities include the care and management of the temporal affairs of the parish. As a member of the parish staff, this position will supervise, coordinate, and perform the administrative functions of finance and accounting; management of facility and property; management of human resources, office services and management. This is a full-time, salaried, benefit-eligible position. The normal work schedule is Monday - Friday. Work hours/days are subject to the demands of the position and will vary. The Parish Administrator is directly accountable to the pastor. For more information or to apply for this position, please email parishadmin@stfrancis-church.org or frberning@stfrancis-church.org

Join Real Presence Radio on Tuesday, Dec 6th the annual Rochester fundraising banquet at the Rochester International Event Center. Keynote speaker for the banquet is author, speaker and producer, Steve Ray. Join us as a guest, or consider hosting a table of eight, or even sponsoring the event at the \$500, \$1,500, \$3,000, \$5,000 or \$10,000 levels. For more information, contact Jessica at jessica@realpresencerasdio.com, visit our website at Real-PresenceRadio.com/banquet, or call Nick at 701-429-4398.

Mayo Clinic Hospice will once again offer Grief Support Groups starting week of January 16th - February 20th. Mondays, 5:30 - 7:00 pm; Tuesdays, 1:30-3:00 pm at Mayo Clinic Hospice Office, 3425 40th Ave NW, Rochester. Registration closes December 12th. To register, call 507-284-4002 or email rsthospicebereavement@mayo.edu.

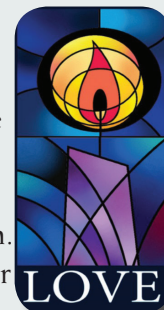
Faith Formation



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

First Reconciliation Families: First Reconciliation on Tuesday, December 6th at 6:30pm, and Happy St. Nicholas Day! Families need to arrive by 6:15-6:20pm to check in and prepare to receive the sacrament. Continue to practice how to examine their consciences and memorizing the act of contrition. If you have any questions, contact me.

Second Week of Advent: Children can look for the changes in the sanctuary and see the color purple, which is the color of Advent. We light the 2nd purple candle on our Advent wreaths and listen for the LOVE God has for His people in the readings. During this week, we have a Holy Day, a day to honor Mary. The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is on Thursday, December 8th. We will have Mass at 8:30am and 7:00pm. On Friday, December 9th, we remember St. Juan Diego, who brought us Our Lady of Guadalupe.



Grades 1-5: We have Faith Formation classes for grades 1-5 on Monday, December 5th at 6:00pm. Our focus during Advent will be about practicing the virtues of purity, obedience, and patience. All of these are parts of our Sunday readings from the Old and New Testaments.

Every Monday, the classes spend a few minutes discussing what they remember from the readings and homily on Sunday. It is always interesting to hear what stood out for the children. Parents can use the Celebrating Sundays book to prepare their children for Mass and to have car conversations on the way home.



News from Sheila, Birth-KG, Grs 6-12, RCIA, dresscm@rescathroch.org

Year One & Year Two Confirmation Candidates are invited to serve our parish by volunteering to host a Gifts of Mercy Station. Even if you don't sign up to volunteer, please attend this event!

GIFTS OF MERCY STATIONS:

Corporal Works of Mercy

- feed the hungry
- give drink to the thirsty
- clothe the naked
- shelter the homeless
- visit the sick
- visit the imprisoned
- bury the dead

Spiritual Works of Mercy

- instruct the ignorant
- counsel the doubtful
- admonish the sinner
- forgive injuries
- comfort the sorrowful
- bear wrongs patiently
- pray for the living and the dead



A Confirmation Preparation Opportunity

Gifts of Mercy Community Event

Deepen your understanding and practice of the *Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy*

Serve & Prepare

12pm- 1pm: Serve your parish by signing up to host a station.

1pm-2pm: Prepare for your Confirmation by journeying through the 14 Gifts of Mercy stations. Complete with a friend, your sponsor, or your family.