



CHURCH OF THE  
**RESURRECTION**  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

*"He was named Jesus, the name given him by the angel before he was conceived in the womb."*

*Luke 2:16-21*

January 1st, 2023

Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God

*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

Mary, Mother of God

Happy New Year! I pray that 2023 be filled with grace and peace for you.

When we consider today's solemnity, Mary, Mother of God, many things come to mind surrounding Mary.

1. She was conceived without original sin.
2. She was married to Joseph, a carpenter.
3. She gave birth to Jesus Christ, the Savior of the World. Jesus is God so that makes Mary, the Mother of God.
4. She faced numerous struggles being a mother. She gave birth in a stable. Herod tried to kill her son. Her son was lost for three days. Her son died on a cross.
5. While she may have been conceived without original sin and remained sinless throughout her life, it doesn't mean she had a vision of the future. Like you and me, she pondered the mystery of what was before her and her son.
6. She was present at Jesus' crucifixion.
7. At the crucifixion, she became the beloved Mother of John, thus of the entire church.
8. She saw her resurrected son.
9. She was present at the first Pentecost.
10. Due to her giving birth to Jesus Christ and being without sin, she was assumed, at the end of her earthly life, body and soul into heaven.

On this last point, here is a question.....(see under the heading "St. Joseph")

St. Joseph

Question: The Virgin Mary was assumed body and soul to heaven uncorrupted. Was the body of St. Joseph corrupted? If so, why, since he was the foster father of Jesus.

Answer: While we don't know for sure, the usual answer is that St. Joseph was not assumed into heaven, body and soul. This is because there is no testimony to this either in Scripture or apostolic tradition.

However, as we shall see, many do piously believe he was assumed.

But as to "why" he may not have been assumed, we ought to consider that there is a special fittingness to the assumption of Mary's body. Her bodily connection and intimacy through pregnancy to the body of the Lord Jesus makes the corruption of her body through decay seem unfitting, even unthinkable. But St. Joseph does not have this bodily connection to the Incarnation. Hence, there is no physical connection, and the argument from fittingness does not seem to apply.

Surely St. Joseph received many blessings from his role and had the supreme dignity to care for and be in the role of a father to Jesus and spouse to the Blessed Virgin. Indeed, it is a customary belief that he had the supreme dignity of dying in the arms of Mary and Jesus. But, as noted, his bodily assumption is not formally taught by the Church.

That said, one may piously believe that he was assumed. Some saints and mystics have done so. Among the saints who piously believed this were St. Francis DeSales and St. Bernardine of Siena. Hence, the mere silence on this from antiquity ought not hinder you from a personal and pious embracing of the fond thought that the Holy Family all share in the full joy of heaven that includes bodily resurrection.

(Written by Msgr. Charles Pope, Our Sunday Visitor, September 19-25, 2021, page 19).

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 8 – "A character is made by the kind of thoughts a man thinks when alone, and a civilization is made by the kind of thoughts a man speaks to his neighbor."

Till next week! Father Peter Schuster

**Keep in touch with us! Receive emails**

**monthly** on what is happening at Resurrection. Connect with us online at: [churchoftheresurrection20.flocknote.com](http://churchoftheresurrection20.flocknote.com). If you need assistance on how to sign up, please call the office 507 288 5528.

## Parish News

# City-Wide Epiphany Concert

*Presented by the Rochester Catholic Parishes*

*Holy Spirit*

*St. John the Evangelist*

*Pax Christi*

*St. Francis of Assisi*

*St. Pius X*

*Church of the Resurrection*

*Sunday, January 8*

*2:30pm*

*@ Church of the Resurrection*

*All are welcome*

*Please join us afterwards for fellowship*

*For more information, visit [www.rescathrock.org](http://www.rescathrock.org) or call 507.288.5528*



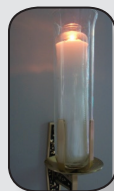
Tickets for CASH CALENDAR RAFFLE #3 are available for purchase through Jan. 31, 2023.

If you received Cash Calendar Raffle #3 tickets in the mail that you do not want to purchase, please return them to the Church Office ASAP. The deadline for all entry stubs, money, and unsold tickets to be returned is Jan. 31, 2023. This deadline allows time for all tickets to be accounted for, a requirement of the MN State Gambling Board. Stop in the Church Office to purchase tickets at \$25 per ticket. Your tickets makes you eligible for 52 chances to win cash prizes ranging from \$50 to \$500. There are only 1400 tickets available so you have great odds to win cash AND help fund renovations in the Parish Rectory. Remember that all buyers and prize winners must be 18 or older.

Each weekly winner's name will be posted in the Church Bulletin. Checks will be mailed to the winners so fill in that entry ticket carefully and completely.

**CASH  
CALENDAR  
RAFFLE #2**

Weekly winner of our \$100 cash  
calendar raffle is Lynn Ladin  
Congratulations, Lynn!



### Dedication Candle

Dec 31st -Jan7th

†John Adams



### 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. You are welcome to stop in the Adoration Chapel. By choosing an open hour, you commit to that one hour a week. To sign up or for more information, call the church office at 507-288-5528.

"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time that you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in heaven, and will help bring about an everlasting peace on earth." - Mother Teresa of Calcutta



## Liturgical Ministries for January 7th/8th

*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](mailto:michellep@rescathroch.org).**

### Lectors

8:00 pm Therese Schoenfelder  
8:30 am Alex Smith, Timothy Geisler  
10:30 am Regina Boehmke, Denise Kelly

### Greeters

8:00 pm Eileen King, Lee Witter  
8:30 am Nancy Brehmer, Carroll  
Doherty, Elaine Doherty  
10:30 am Annabelle Notermann, Randy  
Stocker

### Sacristans

8:00 pm Judith Pelowski  
8:30 am Gretchen Cutshall  
10:30 am Lynn Walston

### Servers

8:00 pm Jaelyn Schoenfelder, Jeffrey  
Spaulding  
8:30 am Madilyn Keller, NOT FILLED (1x)  
10:30 am Chase Boehmke, Ian Teshirogi

### Ushers

8:00 pm Fred Noser, Josh Noser, Marie  
Noser  
8:30 am Kenneth Mueller, Tom Pries  
NOT FILLED (1x)  
10:30 am James Maronde, Kelly Schreiner,  
Scott Walston

### Extraordinary Ministers

8:00 pm Ryann Witter, B1, Reilyn  
Schoenfelder, B2, Connie  
Curtiss - B5 (IF NO DEACON)  
8:30 am Patty Haler, B1, Michael Lose,  
B2, Mary Lose, B5, (IF NO  
DEACON)  
10:30 am Gary Tschann, B1, Brenda  
Tschann, B2, Jackie O'Connell,  
B5, (IF NO DEACON)

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# THIS IS MY BODY

EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS 2023

**SAVE THE DATE**

**JUNE 10, 2023 | MANKATO CIVIC CENTER**

COME AND JOIN THOUSANDS OF CATHOLICS AS WE  
REJOICE IN THE LORD THROUGH THE EUCHARIST!

EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION, MASS, SPEAKERS, MUSIC

REGISTRATION OPENS FOR  
PARISHES IN MID-JANUARY

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SAVE THE DATE  
PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS JUNE 10, 2023  
WILL BE HELD AT THE MANKATO CIVIC CENTER  
Registration begins mid January. More information to follow.

# Weekly Calendar with Readings

**Monday**

**2**

**Dan**

1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 1:19-28

- Rosary 8:10 am
- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office Closed

**Tuesday**

**3**

**Jan**

1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6/Jn 1:29-34

- Rosary 8:10 am
- Mass 8:30 am
- Office Hours 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

**Wednesday**

**4**

**Jan**

1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Jn 1:35-42

- Rosary 8:10 am
- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Office Hours 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

**Thursday**

**5**

**Jan**

1 Jn 3:11-21/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Jn 1:43-51

- Rosary 8:10 am
- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Bible Study 9:15 am
- Music Ministry 6:00 pm

**Friday**

**6**

**Jan**

1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38

- Rosary 8:10 am
- Daily Mass 8:30 am
- Serrans 9:00 am

**Saturday**

**7**

**Jan**

1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a, and 9b/Jn 2:1-11

- Sacrament of Reconciliation 9:15-10:15 am
- Cookie Saturday
- Mass: 8:00 pm

**Sunday**

**8**

**Jan**

Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

- Mass 8:30 am Donuts following Mass
- Deacon Rob's Bible Study 9:30 am
- Mass 10:30 am Donuts following Mass
- Music Ministry 11:45 am
- Epiphany Concert 2:00 pm



## Michelle's



Music & Choral Director &  
Coordinator of Liturgy  
choirdirector@rescathroch.org

### Thank you

*from the Resurrection staff*

Our Resurrection staff would like to offer up our heartfelt thanks to several people:

*First*, we thank all of you that contributed to our Giving Trees this year. Both Elder Care and Family Promise were once again well supported by our parish. We also want to express our gratitude to those that donated to our ministry wish-list giving trees. You were incredibly generous, and as such we will be able to serve others with greater resources than before. We will be able to purchase more Children's Bibles for Faith Formation, supplies for our Art Environment, teaching tools for our Music Ministry, and much more. Truly, thank you!

*Secondly*, we want to thank all those that contributed to our Christmas poinsettias. You were so incredibly generous in these donations, and our Art Environment looks so beautiful for Christmas as a result. We will be sure to pray for all those you purchased poinsettias for.

*Third*, we want to thank all those that pitched in to make our Advent Gifts of Mercy event happen. This was a fantastic way for us to grow as Christ's disciples, build our parish community, and serve those in need. We were able to help so many people in the Rochester area through the help of our volunteers and all of you that attended. As a result, we are already looking at designing another Advent mission/prayer event next year.

*And last but certainly not least*, we want to thank all those that serve Resurrection as ministers, catechists, and other volunteers on Christmas and throughout the year. We are so incredibly blessed to have such an active parish community that comes together to bring forth the liturgy. Through the gifts God blessed you with, you make such a difference in the hearts of all of us here. **Please know that even the smallest things you do impact others in a deep and profound way.**

## Mass Intentions

Mon	Jan 2nd	8:30 am	†Stephen Sullivan
Tues	Jan 3rd	8:30 am	†Peggy Tauzell
Wed	Jan 4th	8:30 am	†Grace Fehr
Thu	Jan 5th	8:30 am	†Joan Simon
Fri	Jan 6th	8:30 am	†Beverly Hansen
Sat	Jan 7th	8:00 pm	For the Parish
Sun	Jan 8th	8:30 am	Ken & Lisa Champagne
Sun	Jan 8th	10:30 am	†Emma Jean Winegarden

## Community News

Catholic in Recovery is a nonprofit organization that seeks to serve those suffering from addictions and unhealthy attachments (including alcoholism, drug addiction, pornography addiction, sex and relationship addiction, compulsive overeating and food addictions, gambling addiction, codependency and the impact on family, and general fear, control, and anxiety). Catholic in Recovery meetings are held Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 5455 50th Ave NW, Rochester. Contact Peter Flies at peter.flies@protonmail.com for more information.

Website: <https://catholicinrecovery.com/location/united-states/minnesota/rochester/>

**Save the date! "The Rescue Project" Weekend retreat** at Holy Family Catholic Church in Kasson, MN Jan. 21-22. Saturday 8:00 am - 5:30 pm - optional evening social to follow; Sunday 8:30 am Mass at Holy Family - 2:30 pm. The Rescue Project is for anyone and everyone! It appeals to those who have been walking with Jesus for years, as well as those for whom Jesus is only a figure in ancient history. Join us as we dig deeper together and experience the gospel surrounded by food, conversation, and prayer. No cost to attend. Sign up by calling the office at 507-775-6455 or email [adultffckhf@gmail.com](mailto:adultffckhf@gmail.com).

**ROCHESTER ROSARY RALLIES** for our country, conversion, and peace on Sunday, January 8, 2023. These rallies are held each Sunday at 3pm near the Rochester Government Center at the corner of 4th St. SE and 3rd Ave. SE. Contact: Janela Hubka at [daveandjanela@gmail.com](mailto:daveandjanela@gmail.com) or 507-282-6090.



# Faith Formation



News from Stacey, Grades 1-5, Family Ministry, [dre1to5fm@rescathroch.org](mailto:dre1to5fm@rescathroch.org)

**Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God:** January 1st is a special Marian day. From our Celebrating Sunday for Catholic Families, "Mary was the first Christian, the first to believe Jesus was the Messiah. She had an intimate perspective of the incarnation as God took on human form inside her body. As Jesus' mother, she loved him in a unique way that only a mother can. As miraculous and surprising things happened around her son, she reflected on these moments in her heart.



Mary models for us how to be a Christian as everything she does points to her son. She lived her life loving him and guiding others toward him. How much of our own lives are focused on Jesus?"

**Grades 1-5:** Classes will not meet on January 2nd. We will resume with classes on Monday, January 9th for grades 1, 2, 3, and 5. The 5th graders will be able to receive the sacrament of reconciliation during class hours.

**Grade 4 learning centers with parents:** The 4th graders will have parent/child learning centers on the ten commandments on January 9th in Fr. Zink Hall. The centers will be open 4:00-7:00pm and take about an hour to complete.



**First Communion Parent-only Meeting:** We will have a Parent-only Meeting (only one parent needs to attend) on Monday, January 17th at 6:30pm in Fr. Zenk Hall. At this meeting, we will go over the requirements for the sacrament and discuss the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. Questions or concerns, contact me.



News from Sheila, Birth-KG, Grs 6-12, RCIA, [dresscm@rescathroch.org](mailto:dresscm@rescathroch.org)

**On Sunday, December 18th,** Adult Volunteers along with Confirmation Preparation Year One and Year Two students helped with the Gifts of Mercy Community Event stations and participated in the event as well. Enjoy some photos from the event! My prayers are with you this New Year's Day. *Holy Spirit, Come. Amen.*

