

# Resurrection Parish

A Catholic Christian Community

July 21, 2019

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Mass Times

Saturday Vigil 5:30 p.m.  
Sunday 8:15 and 10:30 a.m.  
Mon. Wed. Fri. 8:30 a.m.  
Tues. 7 p.m.

## Reconciliation

Tues. 6:30 p.m.  
Sat. 4:45 p.m.  
or by appointment.

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Fr. Frank Herron



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Parish Office: 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Mon. - Fri.  
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## Pastoral Council

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Please contact Deacon John.

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Contact clergy one year prior.

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For hospital and home visits  
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## Becoming Catholic

Learn more by contacting  
Fr. Bill or Deacon John.

**Spirituality Outreach Stewardship**

## RESURRECTION PARISH 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY



Please join the **Resurrection Parish 50 Year Celebration Team**  
in the Bishop's 5K on Saturday Aug 24 at Glasgow State Park.  
Race will begin at 9 am. Registration opens at 8 am.

Cost is \$25 (plus a small registration fee) and anything else you'd like to donate.  
Proceeds to benefit Catholic Charities.

Register thru the Resurrection website here:

<https://runsignup.com/RaceGroups/35468/Groups/637614>

Runners and Walkers will get a T shirt....And, if you register as part of the Resurrection team,  
you will also get a **Resurrection bandana** to wear to show your support and solidarity with the  
Resurrection team!

Please contact Sharon Gidumal at [sharongidumal@gmail.com](mailto:sharongidumal@gmail.com) for questions.

## INTENTIONS

Monday	July 22	8:30 am	+Barbara Malinowski
Tuesday	July 23	7:00 pm	
Wednesday	July 24	8:30 am	+Fr. Bill Kauffman
Friday	July 26	8:30 am	
Saturday	July 27	5:30 pm	Parish Community
Sunday	July 28	8:15 am	+Gloria Jeffery
		10:30am	+Angie Simeone



God is the source of all healing and hope, to whom we lift up in prayer the needs of the sick and those who care for them. *Lord, allow your healing hand to assist* Eva Skripchuk, Burt Strasser, JD

Howell, Jack & Jane Tabaka, Bill Dorsey, Joseph Hemphill, Alyssa Stover, Chet Andruskiewicz, Jim Gambort, Helen Meys, Candi Smith, Sean McCormick, Janice Kane, Ralph Culver, Kevin Rzucidlo, Mike Pohlen, Cass Thomas, Patty Calhoun, Laurel Milano, Katie Fink, Beth Bell, Julie Edmiston, Pete DeAscanis, Anna Catriew, Shannon Wilson, Annabelle Capritta, Patricia Barber, Joey (Morton) Scruggs, Steven Huhn, Ed Donaldson, Frank Maguire, Kathie Wisniweski and others mentioned in our parish book of intentions.

## LITURGY

**Be the FACE OF CHRIST:** Whenever Bishop Malooly is here, he reminds us to be the face of Christ. One very important way to do that for our assembly is to serve in the

### **Ministry of Usher**

Throughout our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year we hope to build this ministry of hospitality and community! Ushers help everyone feel welcome and able to participate fully, especially for gathering and communion! It is so important to have a good number of people serving as Ushers. It's not complicated or time consuming and we'll be sure you receive instructions as we prepare. Will you answer the call? Please contact Ruth Sanders, [rsanders@resurrectionde.org](mailto:rsanders@resurrectionde.org), 368-0146 Ext 106. Thank you for all your help!

## PARISH LIFE



*Please know that you are always welcome here.  
Ring the bell and come in.  
Your visit brightens our day.*

## SECURITY UPDATE: CHURCH ENTRANCE

- The Main Doors are locked during normal business hours. This allows staff to monitor access to the building.
- Visitors wishing to enter the building during normal business hours should ring the bell located on the side wall to the right of the Main Doors.
- When the button is pressed, all office and meeting room phones will ring. Any person in the office may pick up their phone and talk with whoever is at the door.
- The visitor will identify themselves and the reason for their visit.
- The staff member will press a button on the phone to allow entrance. This briefly remotely unlocks the right door closest to the buzzer and allows entry. So, pull the door as usual for entry.

Thank you to Ed Baum for his time and expertise to install the electric relays for the door.



Thank you to all whose generosity made our trip to Cleveland possible.

Join our youth and chaperones this Sunday, July 21 in the youth room following 10:30 a.m. Mass. They will share stories and pictures from their service week.

**Middle School Workcamp**

**JOY**

**3 Letters - 3 Days-  
3 Reasons:**

**Jesus, Others, and You**

Please keep the participants and their chaperones in your prayers this week as they serve in Wilmington.



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**MARY OF MAGDALA  
APOSTLE TO THE APOSTLES**

Celebrate with us the Feast of this great woman... Beloved Friend of Jesus.  
6:30 p.m. Monday, July 22, 2019  
**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**CHRISTIAN FORMATION**



Our K to 5 Elementary Program will meet 9/8/19, 9/15/19, 9/22/19, and 9/29/19 from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. See you there!  
Would you like more information?

Contact Nancy Maloney, CFP Coordinator, at [nmaloney@resurrectionde.org](mailto:nmaloney@resurrectionde.org) or 368-0146 ext. 104.

**Registration Forms and Calendars for our 2019-2020 Christian Formation Programs have been emailed and mailed.**

Registration Materials are also available on our website.

**Onsite Registration for CFP, Sacramental Preparation, and Youth Ministry**

**Don't wait till September! Register now and after the weekend Masses on the following date(s):  
July 20<sup>th</sup> and July 21<sup>st</sup>**

**CFP's Summer Community Service Project  
Adopt a Student**



*Adopt a Student* is a division of the *Adopt a Family* state service center. **The program benefits low income families in need of school supplies.** Please consider donating to this

worthwhile cause. There are four blue totes outside the Youth Room for the collection of school supplies. Also, **we are collecting donations** in the Gathering Space outside the Chapel.

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

Registration for middle and high school youth group and Confirmation has begun. If you did not receive a registration packet in the mail contact Elaine at [elittle@resurrectionde.org](mailto:elittle@resurrectionde.org) or 368-0146 ext. 107.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE**

**MISSION APPEAL FOR BENEDICTINE SISTERS OF ST. AGNES. TANZANIA.**

Sunday August 3-4 Sister Gloriosa Komba, will speak at all Masses here at Resurrection Church on behalf of the Benedictine Sisters from Chipole, Tanzania. We welcome her as she makes this year's Mission Appeal. Sister Gloriosa is a member of the Benedictine Sister of St. Agnes from Chipole in Tanzanian. They are a community of over 500 Sisters who serve in a wide variety of ministries and pastoral work in more than 10 dioceses in Tanzania. These include health care, including free medical care for the needy and schools from K- 12, technical training institutions and religious education programs. Please be prepared to generously assist this Community of dedicated Sisters who represent the face of Christ to those in most need.

### Zingo's Receipts

Please continue to put your tapes in the box on the table outside of the nursery room.

Thank you

### TAKING IT HOME

One of the interesting features of Luke's gospel is that it is surrounded by a series of meals. The meals some say are by design and reflect the importance of the meal to the celebration of Eucharist in the life of the early Christian community (after all Luke's community was known as the Community of the Breaking of the Bread).

Jesus we see has just made his decision to journey to Jerusalem. Jerusalem is Jesus' destiny and it is here that we will ultimately see Jesus for who he is, Christ in God. So as disciples, we too should follow Jesus on this journey; and so how should we allow the Eucharist to keep our focus on what is of utmost importance on this journey?

The first meal on Jesus' great journey to Jerusalem is in the home of Martha. We know this gospel as the well-known story of Martha and Mary. In fact this gospel is so well known that it has sparked debate in the Church throughout the centuries. Which is better, to be a Martha or a Mary? Is it better to be like Mary, a person who sits at the feet of Jesus and reflectively listens to what Jesus says (it should be noted that sitting at the feet of Jesus is a sign of being a disciple of Jesus), or is it better to be a doer, an active person like Martha?

Though many think because of the way Jesus responds to Martha regarding her request that it is better to be a reflective listener, I for one do not think that this is Luke's point. It is not Luke's point because Luke is not trying to say that one is better than the other. What he is really saying is that we need to be both; both a reflective listener, a contemplative and a person of action, a doer. They are both sides of the same coin; one flows from the other. To be disciples we need to listen to the word of God and then we need to act on that word. We should be contemplatives in action. However, Luke is trying to make a point and that point is "there is only one thing that is necessary" and that necessary thing is to integrate the listening and the action so that our action flows from the right place; our love of God. Eucharistic hospitality requires that those who minister in the name of the Lord minister from a standpoint of mutual presence; acting in the name of the Lord to others who themselves are the presence of the Lord.

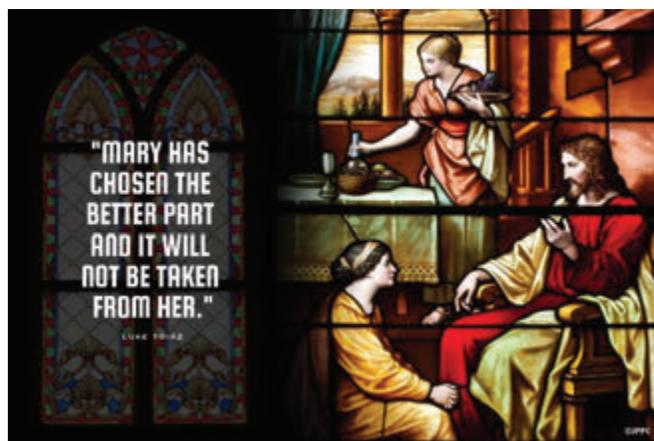
Being contemplatives in action means being able to act out of that deep sense of knowing that all we

do is directed from the center of our heart, which is love, and is directed toward God, who is the font and source of our love. It is the ability to see God in all things. The power of contemplation, which is reflectively listening to the voice of God, enables us to see all things as integrated into God and enables us to act from this center of our being. St. Ignatius expresses it this way: "Our only desire and our one choice should be this: we want and we choose what better leads to God's deepening life in us." Martha is acting in a worried and anxious way. Her actions are scattered and ineffective. She wants to pull Mary out of the peaceful space she is in and into the frantic world that Martha is in. What is really needed is for Martha to make the same spiritual step as Mary – to integrate all things into God.

God is the ground of all things. God as creator and creation are an intimate and unbroken relationship. When we understand this all that we do is a call to participate in this created world in a way that helps reveal this underlying reality of God. So if we want to be a disciple with Jesus on his journey to Jerusalem, we have to do the one thing necessary to be a disciple, center ourselves on God's love and then act from this love.

We do not have to always think about God while doing things outside of our selves. But we do have to use our inner nature toward the divine to discern how God is present in every situation and then cooperate with that situation to make it all it can be. God is both inside and outside, a power that sustains our personal being and then asks us to cooperate with God in building a just world. When we wake up to this revelation that all things exists and are bathed by divine life, we can wake up to our true identity as both Mary and Martha.

Deacon John





**16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
GOSPEL – LUKE 10: 38-42**

*Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him.*

*She had a sister named Mary who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak.*

*Martha, burdened with much serving, came to him and said, “Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me.”*

*The Lord said to her in reply, “Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her.”*

**Gospel Reflection:** Like so much of the Gospel of Luke, this passage is, at its heart, all about hospitality. This theme has featured in the gospel readings for the last couple of weeks. It is a theme that the writer returns to over and over again throughout the gospel to reinforce not only the importance of welcoming the message of Jesus, but also the extravagantly generous hospitality and welcome that God extends to all people. Taken at a literal level, this gospel passage can be problematic. Jesus is dining at the house of Martha and she busies herself trying to be a good host and serving her guest, while her sister, Mary, simply sits and enjoys the company of Jesus. Martha complains about her sister’s apparent laziness and finds herself chastised by Jesus.

On the surface, Martha is doing the right thing: providing hospitality for her guest. Yet Mary is the one whose actions are affirmed. As in the parable of the Good Samaritan heard recently, the gospel writer reminds us that being preoccupied with one’s duty—even in service of God—is not what God desires. Martha has forgotten that the guest is also a gift! Having welcomed and shown appropriate hospitality to her guest, Martha should have then accepted the gift of the guest, that is, the company and presence of the welcome guest. Instead she continues to busy herself with serving while her sister shows true welcome: accepting the gift of the guest’s company.

*Continued next column...*

When we welcome a guest into our house, we can be too worried about impressing the guest with lavish hospitality and our best serving ware, rather than relaxing and enjoying the company of the guest. Like Martha, we can overlook the fact that God is present when we welcome a guest.

**Scriptural context:** It is no accident that this story about Martha and Mary immediately follows the parable of the Good Samaritan. Remember that Jesus is portrayed as telling that parable as clarification of the law to love God and love neighbor. The Samaritan provides an example of what it means to love one’s neighbor. In this story, Mary provides an example of what it means to love God. Together, the two stories tell us that compassionate service to one’s neighbor is crucial but that God does not require service, simply love.

**Action vs Reflection:** This gospel is sometimes portrayed as a dichotomy between action and reflection. Many within the Christian tradition adopt the Martha approach of responding to Christ through service and action while others see Mary sitting at the feet of Jesus as a model for contemplation and reflection. The two different models have developed quite distinctly in the history of the Church and it must be said that the Martha approach of service and action has been in the ascendance for some time. However, action that is not grounded in prayerful reflection runs the risk of becoming well-intentioned busy-ness.

- Q. How would you characterize the different attitudes of Martha and Mary?*
- Q. How does the theme of hospitality fit with another theme of this gospel: care for the outcast?*
- Q. Why is it so important for Christian communities to be welcoming?*
- Q. What conclusions could be drawn from a poorly-informed interpretation of this text?*

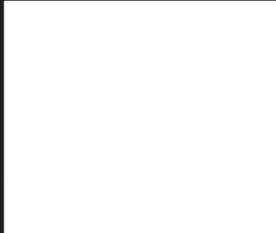
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