

# Resurrection Parish

January 12, 2020

A Catholic Christian Community

Baptism of the Lord

## 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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Parish Office: 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Mon. - Fri.  
6:00-8:30 p.m. Mon. - Thurs.

## Pastoral Council

Sharon Gidumal	Executive Officer
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## Baptisms

Please contact Deacon John.

## Marriage

Contact clergy one year prior.

## Pastoral Care of the Sick

For hospital and home visits  
contact clergy or the office.

## Becoming Catholic

Learn more by contacting  
Fr. Bill, Fr. Greg, or  
Deacon John

Spirituality Outreach Stewardship

## Christian Unity and Criminal Justice Reform

A Christian Unity Service for justice and human dignity in the Red Clay School District will be held at St. Catherine of Siena Church, at 7 p.m. on Thursday, January 23, 2020.

In the spirit of Martin Luther King we will focus on reform of our criminal justice system, and its impact upon children who have lost fathers and mothers via sentencing procedures. To learn more call 302-633-4915.

We will follow this up with a series of forums with guest speakers to address the need for criminal justice reform. If Church members are informed citizens, they can help legislators do the right thing.

The dates are February 20th, March 19th and April 23rd; 7-8:30 pm  
at St. Catherine of Siena Church, 2503 Centerville Road, Wilmington DE 19808.

## INTENTIONS

Monday	Jan. 13	8:30 am	
Tuesday	Jan. 14	7:00 pm	+Francis Lynch
Wednesday	Jan. 15	8:30am	
Friday	Jan. 17	8:30 am	
Saturday	Jan. 18	5:30 pm	Parish Community
Sunday	Jan. 19	8:15 am	+Theresa Ann Dalecki
		10:30am	+John Keegan

## PARISH LIFE



Annual Winter Arts Festival  
and Silent Auction  
Saturday January 25, 2020  
6:45 p.m.

Please read the bulletin insert, visit the table in the  
Gathering Space after Masses and/or  
the parish website for details.

<https://resurrectionde.org/winter-arts-festival-sign-ups-2020>

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, Mike Pohlen, Cass Thomas, Patty Calhoun, Katie Fink, Beth Bell, Julie Edmiston, Anna Catriew, Annabelle Capritta, Patricia Barber, Joey (Morton) Scruggs, Steven Huhn, Ed Donaldson, Frank Maguire, Kathie Wisniewski, Ginnie Marzouca, Fran Huhn, Rick Markel, Peggy Wessel, Andy Werner, Wayne Bunting, Bea Mercatante and others mentioned in our parish book of intentions.



### Shawls have long been known to bring comfort.

As we knit and crochet shawls, we pray for those in need of physical, spiritual and mental comfort. The more prayers and the more working hands the more we can bring comfort to others.

*Come join us Monday, January 13, 2020 in the parish library from 12:30 to 2 p.m.*

## LITURGY

Thank you to all who had hand or voice or prayerful heart in making our Christmas Time celebrations GLORY-ous!

### Pope Francis' Prayer Intention--January 2020



Pope Francis released a video message accompanying his prayer intention for January 2020, which is "Promotion of World Peace". In his prayer intention for the month of January, Pope Francis calls us to pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote together peace and justice in the world. Find the video online at <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2020-01/pope-prayer-intention-january-2020.html>.



9 Days for Life is a novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by

a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Join in with thousands of Catholics nationwide who want to build a culture of life.

Sign up at [www.9daysforlife.com](http://www.9daysforlife.com).

### Second Collection January 18/19

Next weekend, our second collection is for the **Catholic Communication Campaign**. This campaign connects people with Christ in the United States and in developing countries around the world through the Internet, television, radio, and print media. To learn more, visit [www.usccb.org/ccc](http://www.usccb.org/ccc).

Next weekend, our second collection is also for the **National Collection for The Catholic University of America**. Learn more at: [collection.catholic.edu](http://collection.catholic.edu).

## **March for Life Bus**

**Friday, January 24, 2020, in Washington DC.**

The bus will be in the parking lot of St. Joseph's on the Brandywine Catholic Church, at 7:00 a.m. and departing at 7:30 a.m. The only cost is a tip for the bus driver. Brown bag lunch recommended.

Please contact Jo Ann Van Heest at 302-239-0739 / [12374Columbiettes@gmail.com](mailto:12374Columbiettes@gmail.com) to sign up.

## **CHRISTIAN FORMATION PROGRAM**



**Our K to 5 Elementary Program will meet 1/12, and 1/26 from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.**

**See you there!**

**Would you like more information?**

Contact Nancy Maloney, CFP

Coordinator, at [maloney@resurrectionde.org](mailto:maloney@resurrectionde.org) or 368-0146 ext. 104.

## **YOUTH MINISTRY**



**Middle School and High School Youth Group mini retreat**

*The Greatest Showman*

February 1, 2020

9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

### **Confirmation**

Our next class is January 12 from 12:00—2:30 p.m. Complete online Modules 1&2 prior to class.

### **Confirmation Retreat**

February 8, 2020

9:00 a.m.—6:30 p.m.

Complete online Modules 3—5 prior to retreat.

For information contact Elaine at 368-0146 ext. 107 [elittle@resurrectionde.org](mailto:elittle@resurrectionde.org)

## **TAKING IT HOME**

We reflect on this baptismal process this weekend because we celebrate the original baptism, the Baptism of the Lord, which marks all subsequent baptisms. In Jesus' baptism his soul eye is not only awakened but is also alerted to who he is and to that for which he is destined. He realizes his mission and realizes that God will be totally present to him, loving him always regardless of the circumstances. With the power of God's Spirit, Jesus is able to be the "beloved Son" who is the visible presence of the invisible God to others.

However, we need to be mindful that this process of opening our soul eyes is not something that happens in a vacuum. It happens only through the love and support of others, like parents, godparents and especially the community of believers, so that soul eyes can be opened and the children of God can acknowledge their baptism and go forth in the world and live as the people of God on earth.

Deacon John

Please find the entire deacon's reflection at

<https://resurrectionde.org/adult-faith-formation>

## **SOCIAL CONCERNS**

### **Fair Trade Coffee/Tea/Chocolate Sale**

Our first sale of 2020 is the weekend of January 4/5 and the following weekend. Delivery will be the weekend of January 18/19.

Fair Trade Chocolate would be a wonderful gift for your sweetheart on Valentine's Day!

Thank you for your continued support for small farmers around the world.

**The ZINGO receipts** for past six months totaled \$68,051.36. The total for the year was \$118,596.53. ZINGO will send a check for past six months for \$680.51. This will be given to food closet program.

Many thanks to the ZINGO shoppers and to ZINGO'S for supporting our helping those that need help. Please put your ZINGO tapes in the ZINGO box on the table in hallway by the classrooms.

### **Emmanuel Dining Room Ministry**

A huge "thank you" goes out to the December volunteers at the Emmanuel Dining Room: Mary Louise Chesley- Cora, Charlie McGuire, Joan McConnell, Jim Powers, and Sue and Andre Dagenais. Working together, we prepared a hearty hot meal that served about 170 hungry people. Our shepherd's pie, served with canned peaches and brownie bites was a hit! Getting to experience the humble joy of serving God's needy while working side by side with other Resurrection parishioners, helping to strengthen our relationships with one another, is always fun as well as rewarding.

Please sign up on the parish website using "Sign Up Genius" by clicking on the volunteer link or by signing up in the notebook in the Gathering Space. We can guarantee a productive and joy-filled morning's work! We continue to be grateful to Cannon's bakery and Bachetti Brothers market for their generous support.

## EPIPHANY!

In Celtic Christianity, Epiphanies are called "thin places," experiences where the boundary between the ordinary and the eternal becomes permeable. God parts the curtain, and we catch glimpses of God's love and beauty. Epiphanies call us to look beneath and beyond the regular surfaces of our world and discover the extraordinary. If we look deeply at Jesus, we will see God.

The radiance of God's love was shining on Resurrection at the 10:30 mass last Sunday. It was an awesome and diverse multicultural worship experience. And we say **Thank You!**

*To the Tamil members of Resurrection, we are a better community because of your sincere and wholehearted witness of faith. You bring so much to our parish. Last Sunday: your beautiful presence, your proclamation, your music, and all the delicious food! ...all signs of your generous and caring nature. And we say, நன்றி!  
(Nanri!), Thank You!*

*To all the children, you are the Beloved of Jesus! Your joyful presence, your amazing proclamation of the gospel with your holy prayer leader Ken Tulenko, your angelic voices filling the choir and our hearts, the good fun you had after mass...and we say **Thank You!***

*To our many guests, those who come occasionally and those who were with us for the first time—we are better when you are here. **Thank you!** (please come back!).*

*To our parishioners who came back to the 10:30 as your second mass because you wanted to participate in such a festive event and build community...**Thank you!***

*To all who cooked and baked, brought and served food, and all who stayed to clean up—**Thank you!**  
A delicious smorgasbord was enjoyed by all!*

Epiphanies are revealed to those whose hearts are open, to those who are searching. God's love is continually revealed. In the places and people of light...it is there we will find the Christ.  
**THANK YOU!**

*fr. greg corrigan*

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Nanri



**2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**GOSPEL – JOHN 1: 29-34**

*John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. He is the one of whom I said, ‘A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.’ I did not know him, but the reason why I came baptizing with water was that he might be made known to Israel.”*

*John testified further, saying, “I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from heaven and remain upon him. I did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, ‘On whomever you see the Spirit come down and remain, he is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.’ Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God.”*

**GOSPEL REFLECTION:** Strangely, despite being in Ordinary Time again, the lectionary temporarily departs from the gospel of Matthew and the reading for 1/19 will be from the gospel of John. Given that the reading for 1/12 was Matthew’s account of the baptism of Christ, we must assume that there is a deliberate purpose in the choice of reading for today. Indeed, the three readings for today give a very specific slant to the baptism and mission of Jesus. The readings from Isaiah and Paul’s letter to the Corinthians emphasize that God’s salvation is for all the world, not just the people of Israel. We find this also in the gospel when John the Baptist declares, “there is the lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world.” It is the sin “of the world” that Jesus takes away; that is, all humankind. This was a tough concept for the Jews whose relationship with God was grounded in the concept of being the “chosen people”; a people set apart. It continues to be a difficult concept for many Christian people today who struggle with the notion that God’s love and mercy are so extravagant that they are poured out for absolutely anyone and everyone. Some Christians like to maintain an “us and them” approach to their faith and think that if you’re not one of “us” then salvation will be denied by God. The role of John the Baptist in this passage is to be a witness; to point to Jesus and say “He is the one!” Lots of us need the affirmation and direction provided by another person before we are ready to commit to a new direction in our lives. John gives the crowd confidence and effectively hands over to Jesus the authority that the crowd had perceived in him.

**Pointing the way:** John the Baptist fills the role of “pointing the way” to Jesus. In our own lives we also have the ability to “point the way” towards Jesus. The way each of us chooses to live our life can point the way just as powerfully as John did. More often than not, our actions speak much more powerfully than any words we might utter. Consistently treating others with respect, maintaining prayer as a central part of life, and working for justice in the world will make an impression on others and point the way to Jesus.

**Baptism of Jesus:** Each of the three synoptic gospels (Mark, Luke and Matthew) presents an account of the baptism of Jesus. All three versions record the Spirit descending in the form of a dove. In the fourth gospel, it is interesting that the gospel writer does not actually give an account of the baptism as by the time of this gospel’s writing the story is well entrenched in the Christian culture. Instead of a baptism account, John the Baptist appears to recall the event. Rather than needing to describe the event, this gospel writer treats it as a given and simply refers to it.

**Ranking:** There is an odd line in today’s passage. John reminds the crowd that he had said “A man is coming after me who ranks before me because he existed before me.” In Jewish tradition, the prophets and patriarchs who came earlier in their history ranked higher than those who came later. They believed that the history of salvation was at its pinnacle with God’s self-revelation to Abraham. Successive episodes and characters were regarded as lesser. But John affirms that Jesus ranks before himself because Jesus existed before John. He is saying that Jesus is more than simply the latest in a long line of prophets.

- Q. What do you think John recognized about Jesus that marked him as the Messiah?*  
*Q. Why did Jesus refuse to baptize John?*  
*Q. For you in your life, what are the “demands of righteousness”?*  
*Q. What everyday moments of your life are ‘graced’ moments of God’s presence?*

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