

Resurrection Parish

June 7, 2020

The Most Holy Trinity

A Catholic Christian Community

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.

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Tues. 6:30 p.m.
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Please contact Deacon John.

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contact clergy or the office.

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Learn more by contacting
Fr. Bill, Fr. Greg, or
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Spirituality Outreach Stewardship

A PRAYER FOR STUDENTS

Fr. Greg Corrigan

No one can remember a time like this. The entire world has been changed by Covid-19. There has been suffering and confusion and sickness and death. It is something we will never forget.

Most people will remember the restrictions, the isolation, and social distancing. Everyone will remember the hardships and the fear that comes from not knowing. Sadly, many will remember the loss of life.

Sadly too, will be many of the things that children will remember. So let us pray for young people, especially the students who were not permitted to go to school during these past months.

In putting this prayer together, I talked with parents and through them, I heard from students. Mostly, I talked with (or emailed) parents whose children are transitioning or graduating— 5th graders, 8th graders, high school and college seniors, and one child finishing kindergarten.

Here is some of what they shared:

“Not seeing my friends every day has been the hardest part.”

“I will never complain again about being in a classroom.”

“I missed my teachers and coaches.”

“Not playing sports was depressing.”

“We didn't have the prom and all the awesome graduation events. It's not fair.”

“You never know how much you love something until you lose it. I never thought the small things like hanging out with your friends would mean so much. Now, I understand it. I would have taken it all in more and appreciated it all more.”

“I miss playing kickball at recess!” (from a 5 year old).

Along with sharing the difficulties and losses they have experienced, the students amazed me with their words of hope and goodness:

“I feel like this has made my faith stronger. I have prayed more, asking that my friends and family will be OK.”

“I have spent better time with my family and practicing the guitar. I've also been writing poetry.”

“I started watching Tik Tok. Then I started making up my own videos and posting them. I have more than 3 thousand “likes.” It's been great!”

The young people all talked about relationships, loved ones who mean the most to them. When I asked about God, an 8th grader said, *“I know that God brings blessing especially when people are hurting.”*

A high school senior said, *“My Mom is a nurse. She's been working hard at the front lines through all this. She has great faith and she inspires me.”*

With the loss are the memories of the blessings.

Ironically, no one felt like their learning had suffered. I was told, *“You learn every day, whether you're in a classroom or not. I think some of the lessons I've learned during the pandemic could never have been learned without going through it.”*

A Prayer for Students

“People were bringing their children to Jesus so that he might touch them.” Mark 10:13

Jesus loves you. Even through a time when we have been restricted from touching or being close to others, Jesus always remains close to you. Open your heart and let his love fill you. You are our greatest treasure.

You bring laughter and joy and hope to a world that is hurting.

Be the best you can be for you are Children of God... **You are God's Beloved.**

When you smile, ours hearts are lifted up.

When you show kindness and goodness, others want to do the same.

When you care, you are the best teachers.

As you believe and live in love, so the world will be healed.

Thank you. God's blessing is with you always...

And always, you remain God's blessing to us. Amen.



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR RESURRECTION GRADUATES

2020 College Graduates (undergrad)

Kristen Edmiston – Stevens Institute of Technology

Michelle Little – University of Dayton

Megan K. Reynolds – Boston College

James Richards – University of Delaware

2020 High School Graduates

Lauren Edmiston – Archmere Academy

Sierra Falkowski – Odyssey Charter School

Grace Gerber – Alexis I. du Pont High School

James “Jake” Michael Holmes – Conrad Schools of Science

Wyatt McMullen – St. Georges Technical High School

Aidan Shank – Delaware Military Academy

Bria Snyder – The Charter School of Wilmington

Joseph Verbanas – Alexis I. du Pont High School

2020 Eighth Grade Graduates

Liam Naccarato – The John Dickinson School

Grace Sill – Brandywine Springs School.

Ethan Jake Skirvin – Cab Calloway School of the Arts

2020 Fifth Graders moving to middle school

Ava Bojarski – Heritage Elementary School

Autumn Laurel Johnson – Cooke Elementary School

Michael Prior – Newark Charter School

Elyse Scott – Cooke Elementary School

Ben Winnington – Heritage Elementary School

Catholic Youth and Young Adult Ministry 2020 St. Timothy Award

The St. Timothy Award is the highest recognition from the National Federation of Catholic Youth Ministry for a diocese to confer to a junior or senior high school student who witnesses to their faith by exhibiting Catholic morals and integrity, demonstrates Gospel values through service to others, and exhibits Christian leadership in parish, school, and/or community settings.

In conjunction with the St. Timothy Award Aidan and Bria will also receive the Brian J. Pierse Memorial Scholarship. The Pierse family has established a college scholarship fund in memory of their son, Brian. The scholarship is a fitting way to honor Brian who was particularly enriched by summer work projects.

Aidan Shank

As a member of Resurrection Aidan has been an altar server, sacristan assistant, VBS volunteer, and helps to get the worship space ready for the next liturgical season. Aidan has been a diocesan Youth Leadership Team representative for Resurrection this year. Aidan has participated in Young Neighbor in Action Service weeks: Boston in 2017, Cleveland in 2019, and will serve with our parish this summer. At Delaware Military Academy he was a 5K run volunteer, and for three years helped with the senior banquet. Aidan identifies community needs and helps. He volunteered for 5 weeks at a Sanford School summer camp in 2017. As a junior Aidan and DMA friends saw a neighbor struggling to keep up with their yard. They spent a day weeding, trimming and clearing to help another in need. Last summer Aidan recognized that two neighbors were having trouble keeping up with mowing their lawn. Aidan mowed their lawns free of charge. Aidan plans to major in Athletic Training/Exercise Science at the University of Delaware.

Bria Snyder

Through Resurrection's partnership with Ebenezer United Methodist Church, Bria was a VBS youth volunteer two summers and has been a frequent volunteer when Resurrection serves meals to Family Promise families staying at Ebenezer. Bria has been Resurrection's diocesan Youth Leadership Team representative for the last two years. Bria participated in Young Neighbors in Action Service weeks: Boston in 2017, Brooklyn in 2018, Cleveland in 2019, and will serve with our parish this summer. As a freshman at Charter School of Wilmington she cofounded the CSW chapter of Muscle Movement Foundation that raises funds to enhance the quality of life of families affected by neuromuscular disease. As a Junior she received the Citizen Achievement Award for Community Involvement. Bria will attend Salisbury University in the fall and plans to major in Health Sciences/Occupational Therapy.

PARISH LIFE

From The PASTOR

Timing of Reopening

We will continue the fast from in-person worship that we began in March for a time longer. We are trying to get to a reasonable risk for all concerned while aware of the hunger of Communion with the Lord.

This continued fast from in-person worship is rooted in scripture. In 1 Corinthians 10:23-24, we read, "All things are lawful, but not all things are beneficial. All things are lawful, but not all things build up. Do not seek your own advantage, but that of the other." Regathering under very specific guidelines is now lawful, but it is not beneficial for our whole population when nearly the number of people who died of COVID-19. We are bound by Jesus' law to love our neighbors as ourselves. We sacrifice worship in our church buildings for the sake of people we love in our congregations and for the sake of people in our communities whom we will never meet.

Experience shows in this time of pandemic that worship is a "superspreader" of the virus. When we go to the grocery store or to a restaurant pick-up window, we accept the inherent risk. When we gather for worship at church, however, we produce the risk. As people morally bound to live the way of love, we choose not to produce such risk. Instead, we choose to protect others and ourselves until the time when we can worship together safely.

That being said the Governor is allowed outdoor activities such as worship without restricted or predictable numbers. So, we will have outdoor in-person worship first. Thank you for patience.

Fr. Bill Graney



In my first ecumenical venture as a parish priest, I represented Holy Rosary Parish in a group of churches of various denominations. One church was Trinity Presbyterian church. As we know not all Christians begin their prayer with the sign of the cross, mentioning the 3 persons in the Trinity, but all Christians believe in the Trinity. Tertullian of the 2d century is believed to be the first theologian who spoke of and tried to help people understand the Trinity. Since God is

beyond us and always remains ultimately a mystery, we only partially understand the Trinity. Over the years people have made various comparisons to help us grapple with the Trinity.

God is love and Trinity is a relationship of love. The love within God overflows into the world and we humans are part of that world. For me, the love of relationships was first experienced in my family. Then I learned I had many relatives. But we experienced rather than talk about relationships.

As we verbalized more, we come to realize at the psychological/ social level, we are cared for by others and internalize their influences to become who we are. Relationship is key in all theories of human development.

On a spiritual level we see relationship as the basic category for talking about God and the people and things of God. As Christians, we accept that Jesus' greatest teaching and greatest example: the greatest relationship: love of both of God and of others.

But certainly the whole idea of relationships is under extreme strain if not assault first by the pandemic with its isolation and then with the whole question of race in America. What is the cause of respect or lack respect for people of color? How do relationships survive without the ability to physically embrace others? How can we achieve justice for all in a fair and equal way? Much discussion and discernment is needed. Self-examination is part of the discernment.

I am happy that Archbishop Gregory of Washington, DC, was named and installed prior to this eruption of race relations. As most know he is African American and former archbishop of Atlanta, Georgia, the birthplace of Martin Luther King, Jr. He issued a statement on May 31. I would close with his call which we should take to heart. I quote: "We must examine our own attitudes and actions / in order to seek conversion from sin and turn our hearts towards Christ / in order to end personal and structural racism. Now, and every day, we must pray to find the strength to do what is right and just as we encounter our neighbors from a culture, country, religion, race, or experience different than our own and see in them God's creative design.

This moment calls us to be the Church of hope that Jesus Christ created us to be --- in a world full of pain and despair."

INTENTIONS

will be prayed at a private Mass

No public Masses will be held in Delaware or Maryland's Eastern Shore while the nation confronts the threat of coronavirus.

Peg Porter	+Kevin Rzucidlo
Parish Community	+Barry Zehnder



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, Candi Smith, Sean McCormick, Janice Kane, Ralph Culver, Cass Thomas, Patty Calhoun, Katie Fink, Beth Bell, Julie Edmiston, Anna Catriew, Annabelle Capritta, Patricia Barber, Joey (Morton) Scruggs, Steven Huhn, Ed Donaldson, Kathie Wisniewski, Ginnie Marzouca, Fran Huhn, Rick Markel, Peggy Wessel, Andy Werner, Wayne Bunting, Bea Mercatante, Lorraine Sturfels, Ann Amsler, Hindey Singer Moser, John and Anne Callahan, C.D. Malmgren, Elmer Godwin, Jill Bauerle, Tina Mahler and others mentioned in our parish book of intentions

LITURGY



With gratitude and joy we offer **Mass Online** from Resurrection Parish for **Holy Trinity Sunday** will be posted on our homepage <https://www.resurrectionde.org> our YouTube channel

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9x_wcEKTzv5hHLCCV3LKOA and our FaceBook page www.facebook.com/resurrectionde



Pray Together While Apart Sunday Evening, 5 pm Wednesday Morning, 9 am

Are you missing other parishioners? Willing to try a new way of being together while we must be apart? Join in as we share prayer, scripture and song via ZOOM. We gather online at 5 pm Sunday for Evening Prayer and 9 am Wednesday for Morning Prayer. Because we want to avoid Zoom bombing, we ask those who would like to join to please email Ruth Sanders, rsanders@resurrectionde.org for information.

In the face of the Covid 19 Pandemic -- Let Us Pray:
As we pray for the needs of the world, we take up our call to Mission and our call to live as the Body of Christ.

For those who have contracted the corona virus – may there be appropriate health care for them and may they be healed and restored to full health.

For the whole of humanity –through this time of crisis, may we be led to build a world rich in mercy, bright with care for the vulnerable, enlivened with an appreciation of our connection to the natural world and renewed by an awareness of the deeply spiritual nature of life and presence of the divine.

For our own country – may our leaders act with sound judgement, may citizens work together cooperatively and do as they have been asked by the government, to reduce infection rates.

For health workers – may they have time to rest and recover from their work, may they be protected from the virus, and may their work bear the fruit of healthy and grateful people and communities.

For all who face financial hardship because of the virus – may they not lose hope, but may all people be willing to work together and support one another, and find ways to help others in this time of need.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Rest in Peace

We extend our sympathy and prayerful support to all touched by these deaths.

Don Cora
Msgr. Joseph W. Murray
Barry Zehnder
George Floyd

2020 Annual Catholic Appeal



For those of you who have given to this year's Appeal, thank you for your generosity. For those who have not, please prayerfully consider supporting this important effort.

Taking it Home with Deacon John

When we begin to offer our very lives for others as the Son offered his life for you and me, it is then that we participate not only in the common priesthood of Christ, but also in the very nature of God, who is self-giving love. Our lives then become "living sacrifices" of love. And this is how we live the life of the Trinity and make it real in our lives and not simply an idea to ponder.

Read more at <https://resurrectionde.org/deacons-notes>



ORDINARY TIME
THE MOST HOLY
BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
GOSPEL -- JOHN 6:51-58

Jesus said to the Jewish crowds:

*“I am the living bread that
 came down from heaven;
 whoever eats this bread will live
 forever;
 and the bread that I will give
 is my flesh for the life of the world.”*

*The Jews quarreled among themselves,
 saying, “How can this man give us
 his flesh to eat?”*

Jesus said to them,

*“Amen, amen, 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.

*For 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.*

*Just as the living Father sent me
 and I have life because of the Father,
 so also the one who feeds on me
 will have life because of me.*

*This is the bread that came down from
 heaven.*

*Unlike your ancestors who ate
 and still died,
 whoever eats this bread
 will live forever.”*

GOSPEL REFLECTION

The feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, also known as *Corpus Christi*, [6/14 this year] celebrates and commemorates the institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper. Although the liturgy on Holy Thursday remembers the celebration of the Last Supper, its focus tends to be more aligned with the events of the Passion rather than on the institution of the Eucharist. In the 13th Century, Pope Urban IV established the feast of Corpus Christi (the Body of Christ) and it was St Thomas Aquinas who composed the official prayers of the Church for the feast day. In 1970 the feast was changed to the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. In some countries it is celebrated on the Thursday following Trinity Sunday and in others on the following Sunday. The gospel passage comes from the 6th chapter of the gospel of John in which the gospel writer has Jesus deliver an extended discourse on the image of himself as the Bread of Life. This passage comes from the end of that discourse and, in this relatively short passage, Jesus repeatedly demands that his followers must eat his flesh and drink his blood. It is through these actions that his followers will share in eternal life. Jesus says that whoever does this will live in him and he will live in them. That is one of the fundamental beliefs about the Eucharist. When we receive the body and blood of Jesus in the Eucharist we become what we receive—we become Christ’s body in the world. When Jesus called his disciples, he called them to be like himself. He reissues that call to be like him every time we receive his body and blood in Eucharist.

Eucharist in Scripture: The gospel of John does not include any account of Jesus taking bread and wine and urging the disciples to “do this in memory of me.” The three synoptic gospels, however, all feature these actions and words, as does Paul’s first letter to the Corinthians, which predates all of the gospels. Instead, the gospel of John includes an entire chapter much earlier in the gospel in which Jesus theologizes about the image of himself as the Bread of Life. It is this discourse more than the Last Supper accounts that provides much of the theological understanding of Eucharist.

Living the Gospel: Meals are very important events. Not only do we physically need food and drink to keep ourselves alive, but we use meals to mark occasions and celebrate events: birthdays; weddings; dates; achievements; disappointments; reunions. There is a sacredness about gathering with friends and family and sharing a meal together. Stories are told; memories shared; the food is appreciated and more often than not there’s a drink to accompany the meal. Treating such occasions with gratitude—as blessed moments of grace—is living out the Eucharistic reality of welcoming Jesus into our lives and seeking to be more like him.

Real Presence: Jesus speaks a number of times about his followers eating his flesh and drinking his blood; “For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.” In the Eucharist, we celebrate the “real presence” of Jesus, understanding that bread and wine is changed into the body and blood of Christ. This change does not occur in a physical, observable way. The Church teaches that the “substance” of bread and wine (what makes them bread and wine in essence) is changed but not the physical attributes. This is known as “transubstantiation”—change of substance.

Q. What reasons can you suggest for the Eucharistic meal becoming so central to Christian practice?

Q. How is it possible for you to be “Eucharistic” in your daily life?

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