

Resurrection Parish

A Catholic Christian Community

July 26, 2020

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass Times

Mass Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Video Recorded Sunday Mass

Reconciliation

by appointment.

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Please contact Deacon John.

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BITS AND PEACES...

Comments received about Sunday's mass in church—

"The mass was wonderful – beautifully intimate in spite of distancing." **Bev Roberts** *"We had the opportunity of returning to a place of grace. Isolation changes your perspective. I think the set-up is amazing and so well done. Thanks to all!"* **Val Bica** *"God is so good. Being here this morning means more than I could ever say. Thank you."* **Tony Castagna** *"It was wonderful meeting in person for mass... it was uplifting, inspiring and so needed at this time. Blessings!"* **Angie Malmgren**

My special thanks to all who worked so hard in setting up a safe place to gather and a beautiful environment in which to pray, especially: **Rich Mayes, Frank Kolpak, Ruth Sanders, Elaine Little, Joan McConnell, Trish Herron, Patti Falkowski, Kate and Tom Regan, Debbie Seymour, Laura and John Palombo, Ed Schieffer, John Falkowski, and Amelia Banda!** *Muchas gracias a todos!* fg

Regarding Indoor/Outdoor Mass

The decision to move Sunday mass from outdoors to indoors was made by me during the outdoor mass on Sunday, July 22. The decision was primarily made based on a concern for health. I had previously heard that some folks were possibly jeopardizing themselves by being at a mass when the heat and humidity were so high. For myself, I have health concerns that made it clear to me that I was not in a healthy space on July 22. I am more than willing to continue having outdoor celebrations of Eucharist but it would have to be when the temperature and humidity are not oppressive. That may well mean it could take place on a nice evening or even early morning. Let me know what you think.

Benches on Prayer Hill

Our special thanks to **George Brown**, his son **Alex**, and their friend **Abel** for the wonderful work they did power-washing, refinishing, and painting the benches up on Resurrection's Prayer Hill. They are like new! Now, folks can gather for prayer and small group meetings safely *and* comfortably!

Peace.

fr. Greg Corrigan



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, Rick Markel, Peggy Wessel, Andy Werner, Wayne Bunting, Bea Mercatante, Lorraine Sturmfels, Ann Amsler, , C.D. Malmgren, Elmer Godwin, Jill Bauerle, Tina Mahler, Debi Kolpak, Meghan Weiss, Paul Sanders, Joyce Graney, Joan Rzcuidlo, Nancy Bunting, Joe O'Shaunessey, Joan Read Victoria J. Atkins, and others mentioned in our parish book of intentions.

Readings for the Week – July 26, 2020

Monday: Jer 13:1-11; Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21; Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13; Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab; Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14; Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Mt 14:1-12

Sunday: Is 55:1-3; Ps 145:8-9, 15-16, 17-18; Rom 8:35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21

LITURGY

For the celebration of Mass at church **Sunday 9:30 a.m. Mass**

Please come with an open heart. Changes to Mass are necessary for the health and safety of all.

We welcome everyone to walk joyfully and patiently as a parish community as we figure this out in a safe, yet holy way.

To register to attend the Mass, please visit the parish website www.resurrectionde.org and look for the sign up genius link. You may also call the parish office at 302-368-0146 ext. 0 until Thursday at 3 p.m. to register.

Please Note:

- a face mask or covering is required for all
- 6 ft. social distancing is required at all times on parish property

Parishioners who are particularly vulnerable (e.g. over the age of sixty, existing heart or lung conditions, diabetes, or otherwise immuno-compromised) are **STRONGLY DISCOURAGED** from attending public celebrations of the Church until all restrictions have been lifted.

The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass issued on March 12, 2020 remains in place for the Diocese of Wilmington.

For those who cannot attend Mass in person, know that God's infinite grace and mercy remain abundantly available.

For the celebration of Mass at home

With gratitude and joy we offer **Mass Online** from Resurrection Parish for Sunday July 19 will be posted on our homepage <https://www.resurrectionde.org> FaceBook page www.facebook.com/resurrectionde And our YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/ResurrectionParishDelaware>

Attend The Videotaping Of Our Weekly Mass

Here at *Christian Broadcasting -- Station V 3000*, we produce the weekly mass for the World Wide Web. If you would like to attend a videotaping and participate in the Eucharist here at Resurrection, tickets are now available!

To reserve a seat, please give Debbie a call at 368.0146. Please note—masses are typically filmed on Thursday or Friday but the time may change each week based on the schedules of our directors, our many producers, the camera people, sound and design technicians, and Father Greg's personal make up artist and wardrobe assistant 😊. We'll give you specifics when you call.

We'd love to have you join us. For safety sake, maximum number of guests is 10 holy people!

For resources for your prayer and reflections at home, see Resurrection's **Keeping the Seasons** page: <https://www.resurrectionde.org/keeping-seasons>.



Pray Together While Apart
NEW TIME for Sunday
Evening, 7 pm
Wednesday Morning, 9 am

Join in as we share prayer, scripture and song via ZOOM. We gather for prayer online at 7 pm Sunday and 9 am Wednesday. 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.

PARISH LIFE

WOMEN AND THE CHURCH

Sr. Joan Chittister has been a leading voice in the Catholic church for 60 years. If you wonder what women's work is, what it means to be a feminist, or how to be both a woman and a Catholic, this book *From the Writings of Joan Chittister: On Women*, is for you. To learn more about Sr. Joan, go to her website: monasteriesoftheheart.org

ALL are encouraged to participate in a wonderful online discussion that will run August 10 - 28. To register for **On Women: A Book Discussion**, go to monasteriesoftheheart.org/ecourse/women-book-discussion

You can participate in the ecourse from home or join us in the Gathering Space with others (safely!) as we watch and listen from our big screen.
Peace,
fr. greg

RACE AND INJUSTICE

Special thanks to the wisdom of our Pastoral Council who have announced that, as a parish, we need to begin an authentic conversation on Race and Injustice.

The following was posted on my blog, Quierespaz.com on June 20, 2020:

A Moment of Reckoning on Race for White Christians

The pursuit of social healing includes the preservation of historical memory and the restoration of victims' dignity.

There is a double meaning of restorative justice:
—*finding a path to justice that restores collective dignity,* and
—*restoring justice to the victims of historic gross human rights violations.*

One measure of authenticity for white Christians is whether we link reconciliation with justice and repair. It's one thing for a white Christian leader to jump in a march and put his/her arm around an African-American pastor. But will we begin a conversation that reflects on the ugly parts of our history?

How do we white Christians free our faith from privileged claims of whiteness?

More to come.
Peace,
fr. greg

Summer with The Saints Zoom Meetings

Sunday July 26, August 9, August 23

Rising First Graders-Rising Second Graders: 12:30-1:20

Rising Third Graders-Rising Fifth Graders: 1:30-2:20

Contact: Nancy Maloney:

nmaloney.resurrectionde@gmail.com

Virtual Centering Prayer Group

My Centering Prayer group is still meeting virtually via Zoom. Those who may be interested in joining, please send me an email to **Ruthann Maisonet**: ruthannmaisonet@comcast.net. We are always looking for more individuals to join.

The Summer Service team stayed local



The 7 youth and adults served in New Castle County the week of July 13-18. We served three mornings at the St. Benedict/Table of Plenty Outreach at the Community of Christ Church, one morning at the Food Bank of Delaware, and several hours preparing signs for and participating in a drive by parade at AI DuPont Hospital, on July 18. **Thank you** to all the parishioners who supported our fundraising efforts. Some funds were used this week. The other funds are being carried over to the summer of 2021.

We will share our experiences with you once it is safe to do so.

Prayer Chain

Anita Delaney is now leading our Prayer Chain. If you have prayer requests, or are interested in being a member of the Prayer Chain, please contact Anita Delaney at anitade143@verizon.net

Please enjoy the parish grounds for prayer. Spaces include the prayer garden on the hill, community garden, back patio, or a walk in the woods.

To arrange a time for prayer inside the church, please contact our Pastor, Fr. Greg Corrigan, at 302-368-0146 ext. 115 or gcorrigan@resurrectionde.org.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Happy Summer!



Middle School Youth Group

Keep a look out for future Zoom Meetings

High School Youth Group

Discussion on Race and Bias

We are offering a discussion on Race and Bias on July 30 for **high school students**. If you are interested please contact Elaine at elittle@resurrectionde.org

CHRISTIAN FORMATION PROGRAM



Our K to 5 Elementary Program and Sacramental Preparation Classes are suspended at this time. We miss you and send our love.

We Are Remote! Check your emails for remote learning updates. Contact Nancy Maloney, CFP Coordinator, at nmaloney@resurrectionde.org or 368-0146 ext. 104.

Taking it Home by Deacon John

In his book, "The Rites and Wrong of Liturgy; Why Good Liturgy Matters," Thomas O'Loughlin notes the following principle about ritual. "We humans have to relate to one another because we are basically decent toward one another and like to help and be helped. Being relational is hardwired into us. As a theist I believe the Creator is responsible for this, and thus we cannot just ignore one another, so we use ritual." Of course ritual is essential to what we do at liturgy, but it is also essential in how we relate to one another on every level of our beings. Indeed, as O'Laughlin points out, we are hardwired for God. Deep within each one of us is a desire to see something larger than ourselves which is a part of our being human. How else could we explain this deep burning desire to be connected to something bigger than ourselves and meaningful in our lives?

Unfortunately, this desire for the spiritual, though felt at some basic level as part of our bodies, is not always realized. We feel this desire, but we just don't know how to express it. Like right now. We know we are relational human beings and ritual ties us together, but something even so simple as wearing a mask in order to protect one another becomes instead a matter of contention; why? Because we often get distracted. We feel the desire, but we are at a loss as to what will satisfy our burning hearts. Instead of this desire leading to the spiritual, it takes us to a search after things, like power or status. We believe that status or power will satisfy our spiritual hungers. So our spiritual quest leaves us less than satisfied. So what are we to do? Perhaps what we need to do is to be a bit wiser in our quest for the spiritual.

In our first reading this weekend, God appears to King Solomon in a dream and says to him that he can ask God for anything he desires. Instead of power, fame or wealth, Solomon asks for the wisdom to have an understanding heart in order to know right from wrong. Like Solomon, an understanding heart or a discerning heart, is what we could use too to help us figure out what is truly our spiritual desiring. An understanding heart is one that listens deeply to the movement of the Spirit within us. It then helps us to discern from among the many choices that life creates for us, which are the ones that will satisfy our deepest hungers and cause us to be a truly relational people. An understanding heart is also one that is consonant with God and God's ways; how do we experience God's presence? Is God active in our lives so that we can become aware and see the presence of God in our many life moments? Not in just the powerful and extraordinary, but also in the most ordinary of ways – in a gentle breeze, a warm caress, a hope that grows in the midst of our current sadness or a smile that lifts weary hearts. This is the way a discerning heart can help

channel our hungers and thirsts for the spiritual by giving us the ability to become aware of the God whom we desire as well as the God who desires us.

When we discover our discerning hearts, we can discover the treasure that we have so longed for, the treasure that puts us in touch with the kingdom of God. But in discovering this treasure, we see that it may come at a price and the price may be the very thing that prevents us from pursuing the treasure. The price for the treasure is just too much for us to make a commitment because the commitment requires that we give up something we may not be willing to give. This is the price of change; the price that says I am willing to commit more of my life to letting go of old habits and old ways and to commit myself to an on-going process of renewal; to an on-going process of dwelling in the mystery we call God. And because we find the price too high, we find ourselves grasping at the small stuff. And when we grasp at the small stuff our longings and desires ends within the immediacy of our lives, which means that our happiness comes from what we own, the power we have or the fame we attract.

Fr. Rolheiser in his book, "Forgotten Among the Lilies," puts the question of price this way: What kind of lovers are we? Are we fired into life by a madness which lets us understand the insatiability of our hearts as a call to infinite love? Do we still see ourselves as pursuing each other, embracing each other, and loving each other against the horizon of the infinite? Do we still understand ourselves as meeting on holy ground with all the mystique and chastity that this implies? Or do we believe that life is best lived without such mysticism, high romance, high eros and high chastity?...What kind of lovers are we?"

Or perhaps a better way to frame the question in light of the gospel: "What is the treasure that we seek and what are we willing to do to obtain it?"



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