

Resurrection Parish

JANUARY 24, 2021

A Catholic Christian Community

Mass Times

Mass Sunday 9:30 a.m.

Video Recorded Sunday Mass

Reconciliation

by appointment.

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10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday
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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. Greg or Deacon John

Spirituality Outreach Stewardship

Bits and peaces...

It may seem illogical, but Christians are called to give God praise — not complaints — in times of darkness and difficulty. Praising God is like breathing in pure oxygen. It purifies the soul, it helps you look at the horizon and not see oneself as imprisoned or trapped in the current moment. **Pope Francis**

We need healing. **President Joe Biden**

God keeps us, and God will keep the church, even if and when it looks different than it did before. And "all shall be well, and all shall be well, and all manner of things shall be well." **Julian of Norwich**

What Matters Most

Four friends invited me to a circle of prayer. Beautiful, credible friends worth believing in.

We sat, like the star of David, colored by the changing moods of the church's stained glass window.

These friends are like the cardinal directions of a compass. Each is different but also the same. Each journey is unique. But here, in the silence, is the place where all our journeys meet.

East brings clarity to the chaos, an anchor of wisdom. North is dependable and confident, a geography of heart. West is young and hopeful, determined and inspiring. South is gentle and kind, the one who only sees goodness in others.

As day ends, we breathe deep and listen to a voice that is rock solid. When we begin to be more open to belief, we begin to become more open to doubt, because belief and doubt are part of the same thing. In opening up to one, you open up to many.

There's a trust that happens in being with and sitting still. It's wonderful to know you belong. You observe and recognize a beauty you may have forgotten.

It doesn't matter if you all believe the same things. Beautiful, credible friends are worth believing in.

They're worth believing in, because they are loved.



Blessings and peace,
fr. Greg Corrigan

LITURGY



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, Julie Edmiston, Anna Catriew, Annabelle Capritta, Patricia Barber, Joey (Morton) Scruggs, Steven Huhn, Ed Donaldson, Ginnie Marzouca, Rick Markel, Andy Werner, Wayne Bunting, Ann Amsler, C.D. Malmgren, Elmer Godwin, Jill Bauerle, Tina Mahler, Meghan Weiss, Paul Sanders, Nancy Bunting, Jane Hanson, Leslie Johnson, Elaine Fusco, Maryellen A. Sedlacek, George Ward, Jackie Potacki, Lisa Shikany Hatfield, Judy Drew, Joan Rzucidlo, Gina Gurney, Alexander Mitchell, Mila Ann Weiss a precious newborn, Sister Mary Em McGlone, James E Barber Ronald Hayes, Jeanine Records, Patricia Lennon.

INTENTIONS

Sunday	Jan 24	9:30 a.m.	+Ken Pfeiffer
Sunday	Jan 31	9:30 a.m.	+Norman Krauss

Ash Wednesday, February 17, 2021

The Congregation for Divine Worship has given instructions for how we are to distribute ashes on Ash Wednesday.

After blessing the ashes and sprinkling them with holy water in silence, the priest addresses those present, reciting once the formula found in the Roman Missal: “Repent, and believe in the Gospel” or “Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return”.

At that point, the note continues, the priest “cleanses his hands, puts on a face mask, and distributes ashes to those who come to him or, if appropriate, he goes to those who are standing in their places.”

He then sprinkles the ashes on each person’s head “without saying anything.”

**We will celebrate two masses
on Ash Wednesday:
9:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.**

Please register via the sign up genus or by calling the parish office. Thank you.

For the celebration of Mass at home

With gratitude and joy we offer **Mass Online** from Resurrection Parish for each Sunday will be posted on Saturday at 5:00 p.m. our homepage, FaceBook page and YouTubeChannel.

<https://www.youtube.com/resurrectionparishdelaware>.

SUNDAY 9:30 A.M. MASS

It is such a joy to be able to worship together! Unfortunately, there are some who, because of their vulnerabilities and/or health concerns, are unable to join us. We understand. That is the right decision for them to make.

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
- Please sanitize your hands upon entering the church
- Please stay home if you are feeling ill.
- Parishioners who are particularly vulnerable are **STRONGLY DISCOURAGED** from attending public celebrations of the Church until all restrictions have been lifted.

PARISH LIFE

Winter Arts Festival Online Auction Thank you!

Thank you to all who supported our online auction this year. This includes our donors, bidders and those who gave a monetary donation. You made our auction a HUGE success.

If you were the high bidder on an item, items can be paid for through check made out to Resurrection Parish or with cash. Contact Elaine at elittle@resurrectionde.org to arrange a pick up time that is convenient for you.



Winter Arts Festival Concert UPDATED INFORMATION February 13, 2021 7 PM

After further consideration we believe it is safest to pre-record our Winter Arts Festival Concert.

The Concert will go live on Saturday February 13, 2021 at 7 PM.

We ask each act to record themselves and submit your videos before **January 31** by either uploading the video file to the Google Drive folder https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1ZhX6zjlisa_dh0p3yyWfZdPTOT3r4Hyi3?usp=sharing , or by emailing a link to a shared video file to Ed Schieffer, eschieffer@verizon.net.

Whichever way you choose to send the file, please email Ed at the address above so he knows it is coming. Email Ed with any questions.

Capriotti's Fundraiser in a Bag Thank You

Thank you to all who purchased a Capriotti's sandwich. We made \$300 on this fundraiser. We hope you enjoyed your meal as much as we did.

Save the Date! Annual Souper Supper



Friday, February 19, 2021

This will be a pre-order and carry-out event.

Check back here for more details.

We will offer the following entrées this year:

- Potato Cheese Soup
- Broccoli Cheese/Cheddar Soup
- Pasta Fagioli Soup
- Vegetarian Chili (not soup)
- Macaroni and Cheese (not soup)

If you would like to make and donate any of these entrées contact Elaine Little.

SOCIAL CONCERNS

Here is the text of the invocation Cardinal Wilton Gregory offered at the Lincoln Memorial Jan. 19, 2021 as part of the nationwide COVID-19 Memorial Service:

At this twilight hour, our beloved nation reverently pauses in supplication to remember and to pray for the many thousands of people who have died from the coronavirus during this past year. We turn to the Lord of all to receive these our sisters and brothers into Eternal Peace and to comfort all of those who grieve the loss of a loved one.

This virus more than taking the lives of too many of our citizens, as well as people around the globe, has left in its wake, a sobering awareness that we are all united in the sorrow that we recognize today. We pray for those who have died and the families and loved ones that they left behind – we do so not as strangers or disinterested persons, but as fellow citizens who share some limited portion of their grief and sorrow.

We pray for the countless families and relatives who had to surrender their loved ones without the comfort and the consolation of a familiar funeral ritual according to their religious traditions or selection. That privation only added to the sadness engendered by the death of a friend, a relative, or a colleague. May our prayer this evening serve as a small expression of our national desire to comfort and strengthen those who have endured the loss of a loved one to this pandemic and may it be a resounding gesture of gratitude for all those who have cared for the victims of this virus and their loved ones.

Our sorrow unites us to one another as a single people with compassionate hearts. May our prayer strengthen our awareness of our common humanity and our national unity at a time when harmony is a balm that seeks to comfort and strengthen us as a single people facing a common threat that is no respecter of age, race, culture, or gender. Let us with one heart commend those who have died from this virus and all of their loved ones to the Providential care of the One who is the ultimate source of peace, unity and concord. Amen.

Bishop Malooly will preside at a Holy Hour for Life and a Mass for Life, on Friday, January 29, 2021. Both online events are a part of the National Prayer Vigil for Life sponsored by the U. S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. Due to COVID concerns, these events are online only. More information can be found at cdow.org/respect-life.



Catholics across the country are encouraged to observe a nationwide prayer vigil from Thursday, January 28 to Friday, January 29, 2021 marking the 48th anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's 1973 *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton* decisions legalizing abortion through nine months of pregnancy. Since those decisions, over 60 million abortions have been performed legally in the United States.

YOUTH MINISTRY



MS YOUTH GROUP Mini Retreat Saturday February 6 from 9:00 AM-12:00 Noon *In the worship space!*

Contact Elaine for more details or to register for middle or high school youth group at elittle@resurrectionde.org or 368-0146 ext. 107

CHRISTIAN FORMATION PROGRAM



The Christian Formation Program (CFP) is utilizing a Hybrid Model this year for Religious Education. We are using Sadlier EBook, Outdoor classes, and Zoom meetings under the guidance of the Religious Education Safety Plan. Please contact: Nancy Maloney nmaloney.resurrectionde@gmail.com

STEWARDSHIP

Donation Receipts: Tax receipts are printed only if requested by a parishioner. Please add your name to the request form in the Gathering Space by the welcome table or on the parish website under the welcome tab. Contact Debbie at 302-368-0146 ext. 0 or office@resurrectionde.org. Thank you.

Chip Schussler shared via video our gratitude for the continued financial support of Resurrection Parish. <https://youtu.be/-rWMXb4d73Y> and on the parish homepage. Resurrection parish is in good financial position. Thank you each for your generosity, commitment and persistence in giving of your time, talent and treasure.

Taking It Home by Deacon John

Richard Rohr offers the following observation: “It is good Franciscan theology that love precedes knowledge. When we stand back analyzing and coolly calculating, we will never know. It is only in stepping out and giving ourselves to a person that a person can speak to us. Love precedes understanding.”

We typically believe that faith is a complex thing; that there is so much to know and understand that we are at a loss to comprehend it all; but as Richard Rohr points out above, faith proceeds from love. Before we can say that we know, before we can comprehend the intricacies of faith, we must first take the step to risk love; that is being open to someone loving us and we in turn loving the other. But I think, because love is risky; what if the other does not love me back? So we stick to the prescriptions of our faith even though we never really understand them because it is too much of a head trip. So we ignore the faith thing and turn to something else to grab our attention.

But in the end our faith does not need to be a head trip. If we hear and listen to Mark’s gospel this weekend, we have a very simple formula again for living our faith: “this is the time of fulfillment; the kingdom of God is at hand! Repent and believe in the gospel.” Repent and believe in this instance is really Mark’s way to say that God is calling again; God is reaching out and saying that I love you. You see Jesus didn’t come to us to change God’s mind about us, but Jesus came to change our minds about God. So turn and listen. Jesus is speaking to our hearts; all we need do is to turn, open ourselves to this love, believe in it and our lives will be changed.

But we refuse to believe that it is that simple. However, the story from our first reading again points to this simplicity. In that story, Jonah is sent to the Ninevites to get them to turn, hear and listen to God’s call. The Ninevites do turn and listen; they repent and are saved. And in the gospel, the disciples turn, listen and respond to Jesus’ call. They drop everything and follow him. So maybe living our faith is not as complex as we imagine. Or is it?

Yes, Jesus’ call to us to turn, listen and believe is as simple as it gets. The problem for us is that life gets in the way. First, life often keeps us from hearing the call and secondly, life prevents us from responding to it in a way that we can accept such an open offer of love, believe in it and live it in our lives. It is not so much that living our faith is as burdensome as we think, as it is our own willingness to believe such a free offer of love. And then to surrender what we need to surrender to in order to allow it to change our hearts and live the good news of the gospel. Fr. James Dunning in an article entitled “Conversion” says it this way. “Faith is far more than a head trip with the mind. If revelation and grace are the gift of God’s very presence and life and Self to us, faith is the giving of our whole self (head, heart and hands) back to God. That takes time. That takes chipping away at the stone and defenses that block God’s entrance to our tomb. We self-made Americans would rather pick ourselves up by our bootstraps. It takes time and humility to find that healing love is not self-made but pure gift.” This is what we are to surrender to and it takes time.

In reality, what makes living our faith so complex is not scripture and doctrine, but the thing we call life and our own hardheadedness in thinking that we know better than God. But if we can begin to look at faith as something that develops over a lifetime as opposed to something that just happens once in a lifetime, then perhaps we can appreciate the complexity of a living faith. This is because when we hear surrender, we think that this means our families and work lives. But when we leave that identification and follow Jesus, we will dwell in our families and engage in our work in such a way that God’s creation will be restored and the kingdom will come.

The journey of turning, trusting and believing in Jesus is what our faith is all about. Can we learn to surrender, turn our hearts and risk trusting in Jesus’ offer of love and new life? Come and follow me says Jesus. Are we ready for that journey?

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