SUNDAY MASSES & CONFESSIONS: See inside

BAPTISMS & MARRIAGE: For these Sacraments please notify the church office as soon as possible so that we may advise you of the requirements. Thank you.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Please fill out registration card and return to ushers or the church office.

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SEPTEMBER 28, 2014
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NECESSARY REPETITION

Spiritual teachers tend to repeat themselves, and to repeat other teachers. Maybe there really aren’t that many different truths to tell. Just a lot of slow, sleepy human beings—like us—who need to hear the basics over and over. Consider today’s readings.

People complain that God isn’t “fair,” and Ezekiel answers that God is more than fair. People choose their own fates, and people can change. Even evildoers can turn, do right, and live. “Actions speak louder than words.” A fresh new insight? Hardly.

Paul tells the Philippians he would truly be encouraged if those who claimed to be believers would, in fact, look to others’ interests and not their own. “The proof of the pudding is in the eating.” A novel idea? I don’t think so.

In Jesus’ story of the farmer and his sons, everyone knows the one who said he wouldn’t work—but did—is way ahead of the one who said he would work, but didn’t. “Talk is cheap.” Heard that before?

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**TODAY’S READINGS**

**First Reading** — When the wicked turn away from their wickedness they have committed and do what is right, they shall surely live (Ezekiel 18:25-28).

**Psalms** — Remember your mercies, O Lord (Psalm 25).

**Second Reading** — Consider others as better than yourselves; look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others (Philippians 2:1-11 [1-5]).

**Gospel** — Tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you (Matthew 21:28-32).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from Lectionary for Mass ©

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**WEEKLY SANCTUARY CANDLE**

This week’s Sanctuary Candle:  
*In loving memory of Bob Geiger*  
by Wife

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**PLEASE JOIN US FOR ADORATION EVERY FIRST FRIDAY AFTER THE 8:00 MASS**

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**Altar Flowers This Week:**  
*In loving memory of Bob Geiger*  
by Wife Maryellen  
*In loving memory of Dan Browne*  

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**CONFESSIONS** — Saturdays 2:15-3:15 or 30 min. before Sunday Masses or by appointment.

**REMIND IN YOUR PRAYERS...**...all those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith, especially the faithful of the parish.

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If you are scheduled to have a surgery and would like to meet with a priest beforehand for Confession and Blessing of the Sick please call the parish office to schedule an appointment, 481-7171.

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**THE GIFT SHOP IS LOCATED AT THE FRONT ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH**
Day of Prayer for the Synod —

The Assembly of the Synod of Bishops for the Synod on the Family takes place October 5-19, 2014 in Rome. The Synod will focus on the "pastoral challenges to the family in the context of evangelization". Given the importance of the Synod, Bishop Dewane has asked that all parishioners pray for the success of the Synod.

Suggested prayers for the Synod of Bishops on the Family:

- For our Holy Father, Pope Francis, and the assembly of the Synod of Bishops on the Family, that the Holy Spirit will guide and enlighten them as they meet to address current challenges to families throughout the world, we pray to the Lord.

- For our families, that they may always be places of charity, peace, and growth in holiness, we pray to the Lord.

- That, through the grace of God, the work of the Synod of Bishops on the Family will help to strengthen families throughout the world, we pray to the Lord.

- Jesus, Mary and Joseph, in you we contemplate the splendor of true love, to you we turn with trust.

  Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families too may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel and small domestic Churches.

  Holy Family of Nazareth, may families never again experience violence, rejection and division: may all who have been hurt or scandalized find ready comfort and healing.

  Holy Family of Nazareth, may the approaching Synod of Bishops make us once more mindful of the sacredness and inviolability of the family, and its beauty in God's plan.

  Jesus, Mary and Joseph, graciously hear our prayer.
MINISTRY OF THE SICK

The following hospitals are attended to by the parish in which they are located:

* Gulf Coast Hospital - visited daily by Blessed Pope John XXIII Parish, 561-2245
* Lee Memorial Hospital - visited daily by St. Francis Xavier Parish, 334-2161
* Lee Memorial and Hospice at Health Park - visited daily by St. Columbkille Parish, 489-3973

A priest is on call 7 days a week, 24 hours a day for the above hospitals at the above telephone numbers.

TO ALL PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS:

To protect your privacy hospitals do not give out information on patients without their permission. If you wish a visit from one of the Resurrection priests please notify the hospital as well as the parish office, 481-7171 as quickly as possible.

Resurrection priests visit the above hospitals daily upon request.

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RESURRECTION CALENDAR

ALL events take place in the Parish Center unless otherwise stated.

Adoration, First Fridays, 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.
Bereavement & Beyond Ministry, 1st Mon. of June, July & Aug. 8:30am. Regular schedule resumes in Fall, Alouise 481-8168
Coffee & Donuts, Sundays after 10:30 Mass - restarting Sept. 7
Craft Club, Tuesdays, 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.
Men's Club, 2nd Monday of month, 7:30p.m., Sept. - May
Our Lady of Miraculous Medal Novena, Saturdays after the 8:00a.m. Mass, church
Prayer for Priests, Thursdays after the 8:00a.m. Mass, chapel
RCIA, Wednesdays, 7:00p.m., call 482-6883 for information
Rel. Ed., September - May
Resurrection for Life, 2nd Wednesday of Oct, Jan, Apr. 9 am
Resurrection Prayerline Ministry, call Deanna Latell 481-1170.
Rosary, before daily Masses and Tues. & Thurs., 1:30p.m., chapel
Rosary Makers, 3rd Thurs every month, 9-11 a.m.
St. Vincent DePaul Board Meeting, 1st Tues. every month, 7:00 pm. For SVDP assistance call 239-600-6749
Teams of Our Lady, call Joann for more information, 482-7982
Women’s Guild, 3rd Wednesday every month, 8:30a.m. Sept. - May

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WEEKLY OFFERING

September 21, 2014

Figures unavailable at time of printing.
See future bulletin for offertory amount.

2014 CATHOLIC FAITH APPEAL

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Resurrection Craft Club

The Craft Club which meets on Tuesday mornings 8:30 - 10:30 at the Parish Center is at work creating items for the Women’s Guild Fall Fair coming up October 24th. We extend a warm welcome to anyone interested in joining us.

We are asking for donations of home crafted items, books, used jewelry, Vintage Fall and Christmas items and home baked goodies for the Fair. If you are willing to help in any way with this event please call Joan at 432-0656 or Rosemary at 482-1526.

HAVE YOU REGISTERED FOR RYM YET?
Registration fee is $65

WE WILL KICK OFF OUR YOUTH MINISTRY ON...

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12

WITH OUR ANNUAL PARENT/YOUTH MEETING AND RECESSION

5PM YOUTH MASS & WEEKLY GATHERINGS BEGIN OCTOBER 26

Junior Youth: 6th—8th grade
Senior Youth: 9th-12th grade
Confirmation: 2 yr. program starting in 9th grade

Any questions – Email or contact Vikki Melchiorre (vikki@resurrectionch.org or 481-5144).
PLEASE DON'T FORGET THE POOR BOXES; THEY ARE THE BREAD BOXES OF THE POOR!

PLEASE HELP FEED THE HUNGRY!

Your food donations will help St. Vincent DePaul, Catholic Charities, CCMJ Soup Kitchen, South Ft. Myers Food Pantry. Drop food in boxes at vestibules in the church or Parish Center. The following is most needed: Canned fruit & vegetables (corn/peas/carrot/green beans). Canned meat (tuna/chicken/sausages/ham/Spam), Spaghetti noodles and Sauce, ready Macaroni and Cheese, Maseca flour (small bags), Canned diced tomatoes, Tomato sauce, Cereal, Canned soups (prefer chicken), Baby Diapers and Dry beans (pinto/red/ kidney).

Thank you and God Bless!

RESURRECTION FOR LIFE

PLEASE JOIN US AT THE ABORTION CLINIC AT 3900 BROADWAY, FT. MYERS EVERY 2ND SATURDAY (after the 8:00 Mass) FOR THE ROSARY AND EVERY 2ND THURSDAY AT PLANNED PARENTHOOD, CORNER OF WINKLER & COLLEGE ANYTIME BETWEEN 9 AM AND NOON.

PREGNANT? NEED HELP? CALL 239-772-4673

Encourage meeting -
Do you have a family member or friend who is attracted to the same sex? Do you struggle with what to say or how to help? Then Encourage, a Catholic apostolate supporting families of those struggling with same-sex attraction, is for you. On Tuesday, October 7 at 7:00 P.M., Resurrection Parish in Fort Myers will host a kick-off meeting of Encourage. A former fashion model who was recently featured in a critically acclaimed documentary will share his unusual testimony about chastity as a witness to hope and as a witness to the most beautiful love of all. The event will be free to the public and all are invited to attend. For more details, please contact the Office of Evangelization at 941-484-9543 or evangelization@dioceseofvenice.org.

Please join us in the parish center for coffee & donuts after the 10:30 Mass. All are welcome!

THE GIFT SHOP IS IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE AT 239-481-7171.

GIFT SHOP HOURS
May 1st - Nov. 1st
Sat. 2:30 - 3:30
Sun. 8:00 - 12:45

ROSMARY MAKERS RESUME MONTHLY MEETINGS

The Resurrection Rosary Makers will resume their monthly meetings beginning October 16, 2014. They meet every 3rd Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. in the parish center. All are welcome. Please contact Anna Perciasepe at 239-415-3660 for more information.
HELP SAVE LIVES

SEPTEMBER 24 - NOVEMBER 2

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Join the worldwide movement to protect mothers and babies

From September 24 – November 2, our community will join hundreds of other cities participating in 40 Days for Life, a life-saving campaign made up of three components:

- **PRAYER & FASTING**
- **COMMUNITY OUTREACH**
- **PEACEFUL VIGIL**

40 Days for Life is a peaceful pro-life effort that has been embraced by more than 625,000 volunteers in 539 cities across 24 nations.

With God's help, 40 Days for Life has achieved **proven results**: 8,973 babies spared from abortion, 101 abortion worker conversions, and 56 closed abortion centers.

Get involved, and **you** can help save lives!

FORT MYERS, FL VIGIL:

**Location:** On the outer (street side) sidewalk outside of the Planned Parenthood abortion center at the intersection of College Pkwy and Winkler Rd. 8595 College Pkwy, Ft Myers

**Hours:** 9 AM – 5 PM every day

**Contact:** 239-888-6887

For more info, visit:

40DaysforLife.com/FortMyers
**Interested in becoming Catholic?**

If so, the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is for you!!!

If you or someone you know is questioning becoming Catholic please have them either call or e-mail me,
Lea @ 482-6883 or lea@resurrectionch.org

As people journey through life, sometimes they realize that they are wanting something more from life. Many times you are searching for a faith community.

If you are searching and want to inquire more about Catholicism, please do not hesitate to call— I would love to talk with you!

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**Sacramental Preparation:**

* Are you enrolled?  
* Don’t miss the boat!

Sacramental Preparation is a two year preparation period. Faith Formation is a life-long journey; in order for a child to receive God’s graces through the sacraments he or she needs to be enrolled in Religious Education or Youth Ministry for at least two years.

♦ 1st Grade students need to be actively attending a Diocesan Religious Education Program to receive the Eucharist in the 2nd Grade

♦ 9th Grade students need to be an active member of Resurrection Youth Ministry to be Confirmed in 10th grade

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**Religious Education Syllabus**

**Offertory Sunday**  
On October 5 @ 10:30 Mass we will be collecting:  
Peanut Butter

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Sun. 9/ 28— NO CLASS  
Wed. 10/1— Chapter 2

Sun. 10/5— Chapter 4  
** Rite of Enrollment 10:30 Mass  
Wed. 10/8— Chapter 4

Sun. 10/12— Chapter 6  
Wed. 10/15— Chapter 6

Sun. 10/19— Chapter 7  
Wed. 10/22— Chapter 7

**Sun. 10/26— Chapter 8  
**Wed. 10/29--Chapter 8

Sun. 11/2-Saint/ Souls’ Day— Ch 9  
Wed. 11/5-Saint/ Souls’ Day— Ch 9

Sun. 11/9— NO CLASS

Wed. 11/12— Chapter 10

*Sun 11/16— Chapter 11

*Wed. 11/19— Chapter 11

Sun. 11/23— Chapter 10  
Wed. 11/26— NO CLASS

Sun. 11/30— NO CLASS  
40th Anniversary Celebration  
4-6pm

Wed. 12/3— Reconciliation Service

Fri. 12/5- Babysitting Bonanza (pre-register)

**Sat 12/6-1st Reconciliation @ 10

Sun 12/7— Reconciliation Service

Wed. 12/10— Nativity Activity

Sun. 12/14— Nativity Activity

Wed. 12/17— NO CLASS

Pageant Rehearsal

Sun. 12/21— Wed. 1/7  
Christmas Break

** Student/Parent Sacramental Prep Dates  

* Student Sacramental Prep Dates
Please Join St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church First Annual Golf Outing

Friday, Oct. 10, 2014
Heritage Palms Golf & Country Club
10420 Washingtonian Palm Way, Fort Myers 33966
Registration: 11:00 a.m. * Tee time: 12:30 p.m
Scramble Best ball format

Price include golf, dinner & prizes

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Closing date: Oct. 3 (or when 128 players sign up)
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For more Information Please call:
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