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.

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OCTOBER 26, 2014
THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LOVE SHOWN IN ACTION

Do you receive the word of God with joy as the Thessalonians did? Their faith showed in their actions. They became models for other believers.

The first reading tells us to put our faith into action. This passage is part of a long list of ordinances God commanded the Israelites to observe. God will judge us by how we treat our neighbors. God will hear the cries of any whom we neglect or mistreat and will come to their defense.

In today’s Gospel the Pharisees put the question of God’s law to Jesus. “Which commandment of the law is the greatest?” (Matthew 22:36) How could he possibly choose from all the detailed commandments the Jews observed? He was sure to offend somebody by his answer! Of course, Jesus went right to the heart of the matter. Love is the greatest commandment—love of God and love of neighbor. Everything else is based on this.

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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 26, 2014

“You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.”
~ Matthew 22:37

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — You shall not oppress an alien, for you yourselves were once aliens in Egypt (Exodus 22:20-26).

Psalm — I love you, Lord, my strength (Psalm 18).

Second Reading — You became imitators of the Lord, so that you became a model for all believers (1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10).

Gospel — You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, and you shall love your neighbor as yourself (Matthew 22:34-40).

The English translation of the Psalm Responses from Lectionary for Mass © 1969, 1981, 1997, Interna-

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Sadly, one of the most difficult reforms of the Second Vatican Council for the Church to embrace has been one of the most thorough and beautiful: the sacrament of penance. Because it is individual and private, it has been difficult for the changes to take root. Sometimes a priest may be grounded in the earlier form, and at other times the penitent may resist the priest’s attempt to blend in the proper texts and rituals.

Perhaps because the new form is almost identical in structure to the old, it has been difficult to institute. It may also be true that with the liturgy in English now, it is far more clear that the Eucharist, too, is a “sacrament of reconciliation.”

It is certainly true that there are different skills and gifts in ministry, and experienced penitents know that not all priests are equally at ease in this sacramental encounter. Sometimes a difficult experience can drive people away from a liturgy that is spiritually rich and rewarding. Yet we know that one bad meal seldom puts people off restaurants forever: the dinner gong tends to dispel bad memories, and so we try again. Individual confession and absolution is for us both treasure and tradition. If you haven’t been for a while, consider coming back to praise God for this gift of mercy.

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BORN TO LOVE

We were born to love, we live to love, and we will die to love still more.
~ Joseph Cafasso

CHARACTER

Character is much easier kept than recovered.
~ Thomas Paine

GIFT SHOP HOURS BEGINNING NOVEMBER 6th
Thurs. 8:20 - 10:00
Sat. 2:30 - 3:30
Sun. 8:00 - 12:45
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.
RMC for the last 20 years has been filling many of the needs of our parish. Formed in 1994 at the request of then Fr. McNamara. Over the years the RMC has provided man-hours and money to help those in need in our parish, our community and our Diocese. RMC was also set up as a social organization to allow us to get to know our fellow parishioners. RMC now needs your help. All men of the parish are asked to consider joining our organization to allow us to continue our service to this great parish. Time and the spinning off of 3 other parishes from ours has reduced the number of our members. We need to rejuvenate our membership. That means YOU!! We need you and your energy and commitment to serve your parish.

Our meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. The meeting is preceded by the recitation of the Rosary at 7:15 p.m. Prayer and service is our guiding mission. Can it be yours?

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Altar Flowers This Week:
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by Friends at Resurrection

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This week’s Sanctuary Candle:
In loving memory of Vincent D’Acunto
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OPLATKI WAFERS AVAILABLE AT THE GIFT SHOP & PARISH OFFICE

The Christmas wafer (opłatek, plural opłatki) is a Central European Christian Christmas tradition celebrated in Polish families during Christmas Eve Vigil).

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FORT MYERS, FL VIGIL:

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

Days & Times: Fri. September 26, 9:00 to 1:00, Wed. October 1, 1:00 to 5:00, Thurs. October 16, 9:00 to 5:00, and Sat. November 1, 9:00 to 5:00.

For more information, visit: 40DaysforLife.com/FortMyers or call 239-888-6887

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HELP SAVES 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!
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!

Wednesday October 29

This week’s
Wednesday Morning Adult Faith Formation @
Our Lady of Light
9:15– 10:15am

October 29 - Father Nick McLoughlin - The Joy of the Gospel

In his encyclical, Evangelii Gaudium, (The Joy of the Gospel), Pope Francis invites us to "recover the original freshness of the Gospel", finding "new avenues" and "new paths of creativity", without enclosing Jesus in our "dull categories". The Pope hopes for a "pastoral and missionary conversion, which cannot leave things as they presently are" and a "renewal" of ecclesiastical structures to enable them to become "more mission-oriented". Father McLoughlin will focus on the main points of this encyclical and explain how they apply to us today as Catholics in the Diocese of Venice.

Religious Education Syllabus

November 2
Offertory Sunday
we are collecting:
Canned Tuna Fish

**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
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Knowing the Faith

October 29—SESSION 2: DIVINE REVELATION: God Seeking Us and the Compass for Our Lives
November 5- SESSION 3: THE BIBLE: God’s Love Letter to Humanity
November 12- SESSION 4: THE STORY OF SALVATION: Creation, Fall and Redemption
November 19- SESSION 5: WHO IS JESUS?: Just a Good Man or Lord of our Lives?
December 3- SESSION 6: THE PASCHAL MYSTERY: The Mystery of Jesus’ Death and Resurrection
December 10- SESSION 7: THE HOLY SPIRIT AND THE LIFE OF GRACE: God’s Divine Life Within Us
January 14- SESSION 8: WHY DO I NEED THE CHURCH?: The Mystery of the Catholic Church
January 21- SESSION 9: MARY AND THE SAINTS: Our Spiritual Mother and the Communion of Saints
January 28- SESSION 10: THE LAST THINGS: What Happens After We Die?

Living the Faith

February 4- SESSION 11: THE SACRAMENTS: Baptism & Confirmation
February 11- SESSION 12: THE EUCHARIST: Source & Summit of Christian Life
March 4- SESSION 14: PENANCE & ANOINTING OF THE SICK: God’s Mercy Revealed
March 11- SESSION 15: MATRIMONY & HOLY ORDERS: The Sacraments of Service & Communion
March 18- SESSION 16: A CATHOLIC MORAL VISION: Virtue, Grace & the Path to Happiness
March 25- SESSION 17: A LOVE THAT LASTS: The Call to Self-Giving Love
April 15- SESSION 18: A LOVE THAT LASTS: God’s Plan for Sexuality
April 22- SESSION 19: CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING: Building a Civilization of Love
April 29- SESSION 20: CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING: Protecting the Dignity of the Human Person
YOUTH RALLY 2014

Ambassadors for Christ

November 1
12:30pm-8:30pm

Charlotte Harbor Event and Conference Center
75 Taylor Street, Punta Gorda, Florida
Cost - $20 (Dinner Included)

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**REFLECTING WITH POPE FRANCIS**

SUNDAYS: starting 10/26
11:45 AM – 1:15 PM
ALL are WELCOME!

“The Joy of the Gospel fills the hearts and lives of all who encounter Jesus. Those who accept his offer of salvation are set free from sin, sorrow, inner emptiness and loneliness.”

Please join us in the Conference room for reflection and study of Pope Francis’ - The Joy of the Gospel.
You may download this exhortation at:
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Pope Francis Way He Leads The Way He Leads
will be included in our discussions
CALL PARISH OFFICE TO RESERVE YOUR SPACE.

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**RYM...**

5PM YOUTH MASS & WEEKLY GATHERINGS BEGIN OCTOBER 26

All Confirmation Candidates have a Mass Ministry Meeting in the Church at 4:30pm on Oct. 26

Any questions ~Email or contact Vikki Melchiorre (vikki@resurrectionch.org or 481-5144).

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