SAVORING THE EXPERIENCE

One of the wonderful things about vacations is the time we spend two or three weeks afterward savoring the experience, sharing vacation photos and memories with our family and friends. This kind of reflection puts us back in touch with the original experience and reminds us of the relaxation and wonder the vacation afforded us. Today, on the Third Sunday of Easter, the Church blesses us with reminders of what we celebrated two Sundays ago. All three readings are reflections on the meaning of the death and resurrection of Christ. One of the threads running through these reflections is that the purpose of the Lord’s suffering, death, and resurrection was to save us, to forgive our sins. We are given fifty days to ponder this reality—fifty days to savor the experience of Christ’s dying and rising for us.

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April 19, 2015
Third Sunday of Easter
You alone, O LORD, bring security to my dwelling.
~ Psalm 4:9

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

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS......all those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith, especially Robert Quintal, Joan Gregor.

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Psalm — Lord, let your face shine on us (Psalm 4).
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Mass Schedule

SAT. APRIL 18 - SUNDAY VIGIL MASS
3:30 †John Brzostowicz by Rita Zak
5:00 †Pat O’Connor by Wife

SUN. APRIL 19 -
7:30 †Liv & Decd Mbrs of Edward Ryan Family by Jeremiah & Marlaine Hampton
9:00 †Shaun Doherty by Mom
10:30 ♥†People of the Parish
12:00 †Brian Smith by Laurie & Finbar Corr
2:15 Latin Mass
5:00 †Charles & Josephine Leonard by Family

MON. APRIL 20 -
8:00 †Marnie West by Pablo & Carmen Alcivar

TUE. APRIL 21 -
8:00 †Carolyn Bradford by Don Bradford

WED. APRIL 22 -
8:00 †Donald Korff by Jean Korff

THU. APRIL 23 -
8:00 †William Santiago by Sarah

FRI. APRIL 24 -
8:00 †Michael Korff by Lynn Shunk

SAT. APRIL 25 -
8:00 ♥For a Greater Respect for Life

SAT. APRIL 25 - SUNDAY VIGIL MASS
3:30 †John Brzostowicz by Rita Zak
5:00 †Christina Garzero by Melchiorr e Family

SUN. APRIL 26 -
7:30 ♥†People of the Parish
9:00 †Gene Hahn by Sheila & Andy Wilson
10:30 ♥†Toivo Hokkanen by Gaye Kane
12:00 †Michael Frycz by Bob & MaryAnn Conde
2:15 Latin Mass
5:00 †Margaret Krause by Dawn & Marianne

Catholic Faith Appeal

Our assessment for this year is $360,000.00

Pledges made thus far Total: $280,366.31

Payments made thus far Total: $212,763.57, Thank you!

We still need $147,236.43 to pay our assessment.

Please join our parish family in making a sacrificial gift to the CFA

Resurrection Prayer Line Ministry

For prayer requests or to sign up as a volunteer call: 481-1170.

2015 Treasures from Our Tradition

With the Easter season well under way, we now resume our survey of the sacrament of the sick. The pastoral care of the sick will be misunderstood if we start from the vantage point of the sickroom. Begin with the Sunday assembly, from which the sick person has been separated by the crisis of illness, and whose absence is given expression in prayer and service. The goal is to extend the consolation of the Lord’s presence at the table to those who are apart from it, and for the assembly to enfold them in prayer.

Secondarily, the goal is to teach people what the Church desires for all those who are sick. Seeing ministers dispatched to the sick from Mass every Sunday might help a caregiver realize that their dear one can also receive Communion. Witnessing the anointing of a woman facing surgery might help another person to overcome hesitation and ask for the sacrament’s healing and strength. Society’s impulse may be to marginalize the sick, but the tradition of our community is to see them at the center of our life. When Roman persecutors ordered St. Lawrence the Deacon to hand over the jewels of the church, he assembled a motley crew of the sick and the infirm and announced with all humility, “Behold, my lord, the treasures of the church of Christ.”
WEEKLY OFFERING

April 12, 2015
Reg. Offertory: $26, 512.95
Latin Mass: see next week bulletin
SVDP: $771.00

Thank You

This week’s Sanctuary Candle:
In loving memory of
Raymond Gier
by Wife Chloe

Altar Flowers
This Week:
In loving memory of
Eileen Rais
by Barbara & Jim Magin
In loving memory of
Reggie Skiba
by Joyce Franey

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, Every Monday, 8:30 a.m.
Alouise 481-8168
Coffee & Donuts, Sundays after 10:30 Mass
Craft Club, Tuesdays, 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.
Men’s Club, 2nd Monday of month, 7:00p.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 a.m
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, 8:30 a.m. Sept. - May

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.
Guidelines for the Reception of Holy Communion
(Promulgated by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Nov. 1996)

For Catholics
As Catholics, we fully participate in this celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are encouraged to receive Communion devoutly and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Communion, participants should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour. A person who is conscious of grave sin is not to receive the Body and Blood of the Lord without prior sacramental confession except for a grave reason where there is no opportunity for confession. In this case, the person is to be mindful of the obligation to make an act of perfect contrition, including the intention of confessing as soon as possible (canon 916). A frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance is encouraged for all.

For our fellow Christians
We welcome our fellow Christians to the celebration of this Eucharist as our brothers and sisters. We pray that our common baptism and the action of the Holy Spirit in the Eucharist will draw us closer to one another and begin to dispel the sad divisions which separate us. We pray that these will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ’s prayer for us “that they may all be one” (Jn 17:21). Because Catholics believe that the celebration of the Eucharist is a sign of the reality of the oneness of faith, life and worship, members of those churches with whom we are not yet fully united are ordinarily not admitted to Holy Communion. Eucharistic sharing in exceptional circumstances by other Christians requires prior permission according to the directives of the diocesan bishop and the provisions of church law.

For those not receiving Holy Communion
All who are not receiving Holy Communion are encouraged to express in their hearts a prayerful desire for unity with the Lord Jesus and with one another.

For non-Christians
We also welcome to this celebration those who do not share our faith in Jesus Christ. While we cannot admit them to Holy Communion, we ask them to offer their prayers for the peace and unity of the human family.

PLEASE HELP FEED THE HUNGRY!
Your food donations will help St. Vincent DePaul, Catholic Charities, CCMI, 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), and Dry beans (pinto/red/kidney).

Thank you and God Bless!
PREGNANT? NEED HELP? CALL 239-772-4673

HAPPILY MARRIED COUPLES:
SPRING! That wonderful time of year when all seems to be fresh and new again. Why not give yourselves a weekend away from it all; A chance to talk and listen that special someone who loves you. Give your marriage a Gift of Deeper Love with a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. If that sounds good to you, sign up now for a weekend of deeper love and a time to rejoice in the beauty of your marriage and family. The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is May 29-31 at the Franciscan Retreat Center in Tampa. Contact 813 270-7832 for more information about the weekend or apply on-line at www.www.metampabay.org (and don’t forget to ask about our reduced application rate!)

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 TUESDAYS FROM 7:30 AM AND THURSDAYS FROM 11:30 UNTIL CLOSE. WE ALSO PRAY EVERY MONDAYAT PLANNED PARENTHOOD, CORNER OF WINKLER & COLLEGE ANYTIME BETWEEN 9 AM AND 1 PM.

Attention Men of the Parish- You are invited to attend the Wednesday Gospel Forum at 7:00AM at Webster’s Grill on Cypress Lake Dr. behind La-Te-Da Salon. We read and discuss the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday and end at 7:50AM so that you can get to work or Mass on time. We meet every Wednesday and you may attend it whenever you can. For additional data you may call Ange Ford at 216.496.0269 or email: ajford@hotmail.com

NOVENA OF MASSES FOR LIFE

Celebrate Mass on the 25th of each month from the Annunciation to Christmas for a greater respect for all human life.

See the schedule of Masses throughout the Diocese of Venice at www.dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife.

Diocese of Venice Respect Life 1000 Pinebrook Road Venice, FL 34285 941-441-1101

Resurrection of Masses - Celebrate the Life of Jesus in the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary on the 25th of every month through December and pray for a greater respect for all human life. We will celebrate the end of the first month on April 25th, at the 8:00 Mass, Resurrection Parish.

Schedule for Novena Masses at Local Parishes for the April Novena Mass:

Resurrection Parish, Ft. Myers 8:00 am Sat. Apr 25
St. Ann, Naples 8:00 am, Sat. April 25
St. Andrew, Cape Coral 9:00 am Fri. Apr 24*
St. Cecilia, Ft. Myers 7:00 am, Fri. Apr 24*
St. Vincent DePaul Ft. Myers 4:00 pm, Sat. April 25

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Is God calling you to be a Catechist?

• Do you have a passion for your Catholic Faith?
• Do you have a passion for working with children?
• Do you attend Mass weekly?
• Do you celebrate the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist regularly?
• Do you pray and take time to be with God?
• Do you live out Catholic morality and doctrine in your speech and actions?

It is important that educators of the faith are also LIVING the FAITH. Let your answers to these questions guide your discernment of if God is calling you to be a Catechist.

If you feel as though you are being called, please let me know! I would like to continue the conversation and prayerfully discern with you.
Call me, Lea the Director of Religious Education, at 482-6882 or e-mail me at lea@resurrectionch.org

Sun. 4/19— CLASS REVIEW
Wed. 4/22— CLASS REVIEW
Sun. 4/26-RELICS-LAST CLASS
Wed. 4/29-RELICS-LAST CLASS

Please pray for our First Holy Communion class as we prepare for our Second Sacrament of Initiation

**Sun. 5/3— Communion Retreat
* Wed. 5/6— Communion Rehearsal
** Sat. 5/9— 1st Holy Communion

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION LAST INCREDIBLE CLASS SHOW

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Please come learn from our students during class on Sunday, April 26 and Wednesday, April 29th

PRACTICAL SPIRITUALITY

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April 22 -SESSION 18 - A LOVE THAT LASTS: God’s Plan for Sexuality
April 29 -SESSION 19: CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING: Building a Civilization of Love
May 6 -SESSION 20: CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING: Protecting the Dignity of the Human Person

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SESSION 5: WHO IS JESUS?: Just a Good Man or Lord of our Lives?
SESSION 6: THE PASCHAL MYSTERY: The Mystery of Jesus’ Death and Resurrection
SESSION 7: THE HOLY SPIRIT AND THE LIFE OF GRACE: God’s Divine Life Within Us
SESSION 8: WHY DO I NEED THE CHURCH?: The Mystery of the Catholic Church
SESSION 9: MARY AND THE SAINTS: Our Spiritual Mother and the Communion of Saints
SESSION 10: THE LAST THINGS: What Happens After We Die?

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SESSION 11: THE SACRAMENTS: Baptism & Confirmation
SESSION 12: THE EUCHARIST: Source & Summit of Christian Life
SESSION 13: WALK THROUGH THE MASS: Exploring the Sacred Liturgy
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