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.

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: Tel. 482-6883 or 481-7172

RELIGIOUS ARTICLES STORE: Tel. 437-9876
The Gift Shop is located in the front of the church

RELIGIOUS ED OFFICE: Tel. 482-6883

YOUTH MINISTRY OFFICE: Tel. 481-5144

PARISH OFFICE: Tel. 481-7171 or 481-7172
Fax: 481-8007, www.resurrectionch.org
E-mail: parishoffice@resurrectionch.org

JUNE 21, 2015
TWELVETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE WIND AND THE SEA
Living along the shores of Lake Superior—the “big lake,” as the locals call it—you can often hear the advice, “Respect the lake; don’t take it for granted.” People who know Lake Superior respect its power and watch out for its many moods. Sunken ships and boats crushed into kindling are testimonies to what the lake can do.

The readings of this Sunday evoke our memories of the lake, of the mighty Mississippi River, or of the ocean itself. Who but God can control these mighty waters and set limits to their advance? The lake described in today’s Gospel was a body of water subject to sudden storms and churned into dangerous waves by terrible winds.

But these mighty agents are subject to God. The sailor and the fisher all respect the water. Even more, they respect the awesome power of the Maker of wind and sea.

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Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 21, 2015
Whoever is in Christ is a new creation.

~ 2 Corinthians 5:17

TODAY’S READINGS
First Reading — The Lord said to Job: Who shut within doors the sea? And who said: Thus far shall you come but no farther! (Job 38:1, 8-11).
Psalm — Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting (Psalm 107).
Second Reading — Whoever is in Christ is a new creation (2 Corinthians 5:14-17).
Gospel — Who is this whom even wind and sea obey? (Mark 4:35-41).

The second collection today is for the Peter’s Pence Collection. The Peter’s Pence Collection is taken up worldwide to support the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. This is an opportunity to join with our Holy Father, Pope Francis, and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous in today’s collection.

SPEAK OUT FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM….. IT’S EVERYONE’S DUTY

IT’S GOING TO TAKE ALL OF US TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE. DO YOUR PART.
THIS TAKES 60 SECONDS OR LESS...

VISIT WWW.USCCB.ORG/FREEDOM

HELP
Save Our Religious Freedom
...In 60 seconds or less.
Text FREEDOM to 377377 to defend your right to live by your faith.

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 George Weber, Barbara Rice, Betty Gibson, John Kontinos, Caroline Buckley, Bill Krause.

PRAYERS FOR PRIESTS - Please join us every Thursday immediately after the 8:00 Mass to pray for priests.

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

THE GIFT SHOP IS LOCATED AT THE FRONT ENTRANCE OF THE CHURCH
WEEKLY OFFERING

June 14, 2015
Reg. Offertory: $17,639.47
Latin Mass: $554.00
SVDP: $342.00

Thank You

This week’s Sanctuary Candle:

In Loving Memory of George Weber

CLOSER

God is closer to me than my own breath.
—Anonymous

MINISTRY OF THE SICK

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

* Gulf Coast Hospital - visited daily by St. 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.

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, First Monday in June, July and August, 8:30am. Alouise 481-8168
Coffee & Donuts, Will resume after Labor Day
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 am
Resurrection Prayerline Ministry, call Deanna Latell 481-1170.
Rosary, before daily Masses and Tues. & Thurs., 1:30p.m., chapel
Rosary Makers, 3rd Thursdays Oct. thru May, 9 -11 a.m.
St. Vincent DePaul Board Meeting, 1st Tues. every month, 7:00 pm. For SVDP assistance call 239-600-6749, or email, svdp@resurrectionch.org
Teams of Our Lady, call Joann for more information, 482-7982
Women’s Guild, 3rd Wednesday every month, 8:30a.m. Sept. - May

Altar Flowers This Week:

In Honor of All Living & Deceased Fathers of the Parish

2015 CATHOLIC FAITH APPEAL

Our commitment for this year is $360,000.00

Pledges made thus far Total: $311,480.36
Payments made thus far Total: $261,170.71, Thank you!

We still need $98,829.29 to reach our goal.

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

CLOSER

God is closer to me than my own breath.
—Anonymous
“For freedom, Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.” Galatians 5:1

FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM
AT RESURRECTION PARISH

Fortnight Prayer Cards - Available at each church entrance

Daily Rosary for the Fortnight - Our Daily Rosary will be said for “RELIGIOUS FREEDOM”

Please join us for the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament - on Friday July 3 immediately following the 8:00 a.m. Mass

F ortnight for Freedom - Bishop Frank J. Dewane is calling on the Diocese of Venice to once again join Catholic Arch/dioceses and across the United States to raise awareness for domestic and international religious freedom concerns during the fourth annual Fortnight for Freedom, Sunday, June 21 to Saturday, July 4. The theme of this two week focus is "Freedom to Bear Witness," and emphasizes the link between religious liberty and service to the poor and vulnerable. The faithful are encouraged to reinforce their commitment to prayer, to study the Church's teaching, and to participate in peaceful public action during the Fortnight. Resources and activities for Fortnight for Freedom can be found at www.dioceseofvenice.org/conscience/fortnightforfreedom.

Additional resources from the USCCB can be found at www.fortnight4freedom.org. The following are recommended activities for Catholics during the Fortnight for Freedom:

Prayer - Pray that the governing authorities would uphold religious liberty, traditional marriage, the dignity of human life, and other key issues such as immigration reform and the need for more humanitarian services.

Study - To find out what Bishop Dewane has said on these vital issues, go to www.dioceseofvenice.org/conscience. Download and read the Fortnight for Freedom Reflections published by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops by going to www.dioceseofvenice.org/fortnightreflections.

Public Action
Check out the latest action alerts and write/email to Congress opposing the HHS Mandate and calling for greater conscience protections for religious individuals and institutions. Go to www.dioceseofvenice.org/fortnightactionalerts.

Join the Diocese of Venice on Facebook at www.facebook.com/dioceseofvenice for news, updates, and opportunities to have your voice heard.

All are encouraged to spend time daily praying for our Religious Freedom.

Let’s all participate whole-heartedly. The
CURRENT THREATS TO
RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

USCCB Fact Sheet 2015

In his speech to the European Parliament in November 2014, Pope Francis asked, “In the end, what kind of dignity is there without the possibility of freely expressing one’s thought or professing one’s religious faith?” Pope Francis has repeatedly emphasized that it is incomprehensible and alarming that people continue to suffer discrimination, restriction of their rights and even persecution for publicly professing their faith. Undeniably, “Serious violations inflicted on this basic right [religious freedom] are causes of serious concern,” and all people must work to defend “the intangible dignity of the human person against every attack.” Yet, religious liberty continues to be under threat, even in the United States:

- **HHS mandate for sterilization, contraception, and abortion-inducing drugs.** The mandate of the Department of Health and Human Services forces religious institutions to facilitate and/or fund a product contrary to their own moral teaching. Further, the federal government tries to define which religious institutions are “religious enough” to merit protection of their religious liberty.

- **Catholic foster care and adoption services.** Boston, San Francisco, the District of Columbia, and the State of Illinois have driven local Catholic Charities out of the business of providing adoption or foster care services—by revoking their licenses, by ending their government contracts, or both—because those Charities refused to place children with same-sex couples or unmarried opposite-sex couples who cohabit.

- **State immigration laws.** Several states have passed laws that forbid what they deem as “harboring” of undocumented immigrants—and what the Church deems Christian charity and pastoral care to these immigrants.

- **Discrimination against small church congregations.** New York City adopted a policy that barred the Bronx Household of Faith and other churches from renting public schools on weekends for worship services, even though non-religious groups could rent the same schools for many other uses.

- **Discrimination against Catholic humanitarian services.** After years of excellent performance by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops’ Migration and Refugee Services (MRS) in administering contract services for victims of human trafficking, the federal government changed its contract specifications to require MRS to provide or refer for contraceptive and abortion services in violation of Catholic teaching.

- **Christian students on campus.** In its over 100-year history, the University of California Hastings College of Law has denied student organization status to only one group, the Christian Legal Society, because it required its leaders to be Christian and to abstain from sexual activity outside of marriage.

In his Apostolic Exhortation, Evangelii Gaudium, Pope Francis clearly outlined the importance of preserving a robust sense of religious freedom. He argued that a “healthy pluralism...does not entail privatizing religions in an attempt to reduce them to the quiet obscurity of the individual’s conscience or to relegate them to the enclosed precincts of churches, synagogues or mosques.” Therefore, it is essential that a proper sense of religious pluralism be fostered and defended not just in the United States, but throughout the world.

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**What can you do to ensure the protection of religious freedom at home and abroad?**

The U.S. Bishops have called for a Fortnight for Freedom from June 21 to July 4, 2015. Please visit www.fortnight4freedom.org for more information on this important time of prayer, education, and action in support of religious freedom!
Reflecting on Father's Day

This week, Father's Day comes around once more. Father’s Day can be a useful time for those men who have children to reflect on what it means to be a father. Social commentators often remark that the art of fatherhood has been lost in the modern era. The media continues to present fathers as the less capable and less responsible half of the parenting team. Childcare has become the domain of mothers, and fathers have been reduced to ‘income-providers.’ In many cases, fathers spend so much time in their profession that they overlook the fact that their primary calling is to their family. On the one hand, modern society has conspired against the traditional role of fathers, but on the other hand fathers themselves have tended to abdicate their responsibilities as parents.

Christian fathers cannot accept this reduction in their role. Guided by their faith, they will wish to take their vocation as fathers seriously. Fatherhood is a gift from God, and with this great gift comes great responsibility. Yet, although being a responsible father requires hard work, there are great rewards to be won.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* has much to say about the responsibility of parents. I want to take this opportunity to outline these duties with respect to fathers. I will make two observations.

First, healthy parenting is never the role of one parent only; it is the result of a partnership of both a father and a mother. That is why the *Catechism* speaks regularly of the duties of parents, and not of fathers or mothers individually. Nevertheless, there is really no such thing as a ‘parent’ in the abstract – in real life parents are always either a mother or a father, and it is recognised that fathers have different ways of parenting to mothers. Therefore, I want to address my comments particularly to fathers, although always with the consciousness that fathers exercise their parenting role in equal partnership with their wives.

Second, for fathers to be effective parents, they must spend time with their children. This seems so obvious that it should hardly be worth saying, but the fact is that fathers generally spend less than a quarter of the time alone with their children that mothers do. Only by spending time with their children will fathers be able to forge real bonds of love with them that will last into their adult lives. Of course, with a little imagination, time spent together can be both a source of fun and a source of education and formation.

In the *Catechism* we find many practical and essential elements of fathering outlined. Here are some of them:

1) **Fathers must regard their children “as children of God and respect them as human persons.”** (*Cat, §2222*)

God is the origin and standard of all fatherhood (cf. Eph 3:14-15), even while God’s Fatherhood transcends human fatherhood such that “no one is father as God is Father.” (*Cat, §239*) Nevertheless, the *Compendium* (§460) speaks of human parenthood as a “participation in the fatherhood of God” – a staggering idea if we take it seriously. The Fourth Commandment (“Honour your father and mother”) parallels the First Commandment (“I am the Lord your God; you shall have no other gods.”) For the sake of their children, fathers dare not abdicate their authority. It must be exercised gently but firmly, respecting the fact that one’s own children are also God’s children. Thus, while the Scriptures teach that “He who disciplines his child will profit by him” (Sir 30:1-2,) they also warn fathers not to “provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.” (Eph 6:4)

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2) Fathers must take responsibility for the education of their children, especially their moral and spiritual formation (Cat, §222), and “educate them in the right use of their reason and freedom.” (Cat, §2228)

The home is the perfect environment for this educational program. In the home, children are prepared to take their place in society. The family is a small microcosm of the wider community, and thus the perfect training ground for learning tenderness, forgiveness, respect, fidelity, and disinterested service for others. Children learn these virtues best by observing the good example of their parents. The example of fathers makes a particular impression upon young children, especially in matters of faith, prayer and Mass attendance. It is truly said that the virtues are ‘caught, not taught.’

3) Fathers must evangelise their children. (Cat §2225)

In the domestic church that is the home, fathers in particular have to play the role of ‘priest.’ Vatican II taught that parents should “associate [their children] from their tenderest years with the life of the Church.” [LG, 11.2] Just as the grace of ordination is not for the personal benefit of the priest but for his service to the Church, so the grace of matrimony is given for the benefit of the whole family. This grace is necessary for parents to fulfil their evangelising mission. Fathers must take responsibility for the formation of their children in the Christian faith. This formation precedes, accompanies, and enriches all other forms of instruction in the faith that might be given in the parish or school. Thus fathers have a pivotal role in teaching their children to pray and in leading them to discover their vocation as God’s children.

4) Fathers must exercise their right to “choose a school...which corresponds to their own convictions” (Cat, §2229), especially one which “will best help them in their task as Christian educators.”

Traditionally, the Church has placed great emphasis on this point. Christian fathers cannot ‘hand over’ the responsibility for their children’s formation to schools, but at the same time, they will seek to place their children in schools which support the work of formation that takes place in the home. For this reason, the provision of Catholic schooling is seen as a part of the mission of the Church in supporting home life and providing a real freedom of choice for Catholic parents. By cooperating together, the home, the school and the parish can provide a strong, safe and focused community in which children can grow spiritually, physically and emotionally.

The task of fatherhood can seem burdensome at times. No wonder many choose to abdicate their responsibilities – especially when society at large seems to bless such irresponsibility. On Father’s Day, let us support the fathers in our community with prayer and encouragement and blessing for the vital role they play in their families and in our society.

+ Denis J. Hart,
Archbishop of Melbourne.

“Words to Ponder”

“He didn’t tell me how to live; he lived, and let me watch him do it.”
~Clarence Budington Kelland

“Is the shadow you cast as a Father, one that is long and of substance?”
~Joseph W. Boothe
ALTAR FLOWER DONATIONS ARE AVAILABLE

If you would like to donate altar flowers in celebration of someone’s anniversary/birthday, as a memorial, or in thanksgiving please call the Parish Office, 481-7172. Please make check payable to Church of the Resurrection. Bring to parish office, or mail it to us. The loved one’s name as well as the name of the donor (if wished) will be printed in the bulletin.

THERE ARE CURRENTLY SEVERAL DATES AVAILABLE FOR THE YEAR 2015

Happy Father’s Day to all Fathers of the Parish

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
Our Lady of Light Catholic Community is seeking an Administrative Assistant for the Office of Faith Formation. The position is part time 25 hours per week, Monday through Friday. Candidates should possess excellent computer skills and be proficient in all Microsoft programs, including Publisher. Excellent communication and organizational skills are required as well as the ability to multi-task and work in a fast paced environment, Spanish a plus. Applications are available on our website and should be submitted via email to info@ourladyoflight.com no phone calls please. All employees of the Diocese of Venice are subject to a fingerprinting and background check prior to employment.

NEW GIFT SHOP HOURS
Thursday, Closed
Saturday, 2:30 - 5:00
Sunday, 8:30 - 1:00

JOIN THE WEDNESDAY FORUM!!
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

DIAPER DRIVE
Our Friends And Neighbors at Clare House, the local office of Catholic Charities is in need of our help! Please drop off your donation of diapers to our parish center and Youth Ministry will deliver them ~ all sizes are needed! If you wish to make a monetary donation, we would be happy to purchase the diapers for you.

Thank you for your kind generosity!

PARKING REQUEST
During the summer months PLEASE PARK ON THE BLACKTOP INSTEAD OF THE GRASS for daily Mass to give the grass a chance to recover. Thank you for your help in keeping our grounds beautiful for all to enjoy!
Sacramental Preparation
First Reconciliation,
First Communion,
and Confirmation

Sacramental Preparation is a two year preparation period.

Faith Formation is a life-long journey.
Students in first and ninth grade who are participating in Mass and who have expressed a desire are welcome to begin the two year process of preparing for these Sacraments. In order for a child to receive God’s graces through the sacraments he or she is obligated to be actively involved with Religious Education or Youth Ministry for at least two years immediately proceeding the Sacrament.

♦ 1st Grade students are obligated to be actively participating in Mass and Religious Education for their first year of Sacramental Preparation to receive in the 2nd Grade
♦ 9th Grade students are obligated to be actively participating in Mass and a member of Resurrection Youth Ministry to be Confirmed in 10th grade.

Interested in becoming Catholic?

If so, then RCIA is for you!!!

R.C.I.A. is the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. This journey of inquiring, learning and becoming Catholic will lead an individual to full communion in the Catholic Church.

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.

We will have a couple of inquiry sessions during the summer months. 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
If you are searching and want to inquire more about

2015-16 Religious Education Registration is open

Pre-K– Fifth Grade
Religious Education has two options to choose from:
Sundays from 4:00pm-5:15pm followed by the New Family Mass at 5:30pm or Wednesdays= 5:45-7:00

Classes and the 5:30 Family Mass will start on Sep. 20

You may download forms from our web site: www.resurrectionch.org or fill one out in our office.
The cost is~
$50 thru June 30
$60 thru July 31
$70 thru Aug 31
$80 after Aug 31
$15 for each additional Child
$25 Sacramental Prep fee for students receiving sacraments this year.

“In the family, faith accompanies every age of life, beginning with childhood; children learn to trust in the love of their parents. This is why it is so important that within families parents encourage shared expressions of faith which can help children gradually to mature
Last Week our VBS Campers learned...

God has the power to...

Provide!
Comfort!
Heal!
Forgive!
Love us Forever!

Thanks for such a fun week!
The Secret To A Fulfilling Marriage Is Right In Front Of You

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Registration link for users:
http://symboloncatholic.org/register

Parishioners, enter code 377363
Theology On Tap is a monthly gathering for Catholic young adults (20’s and 30’s). We meet in a comfortable setting to explore our faith, make friends and build community. We invite you to join us for a pint and a prayer. For Questions and RSVP contact:

Dana Scarantino 239-267-7088 Ext 235

For Young Adults!!

They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers.

—Acts 2:42

Four Week Program:
June 4th
June 11th
June 18th
June 25th

Thursday
6:30-8:00pm
BYOB, Snacks provided

Our Lady of Light Catholic Community
19680 Cypress View Drive
Fort Myers, FL

Classroom 308
(To the right of the church)
**Lector Ministry**
Looking for a way to grow closer to your faith? Are you looking to learn more about Christ’s teachings? We are looking for parishioners who would like to proclaim the word of God at daily as well as weekend masses. Consider being part of this ministry by calling Todd Macke at 239-284-4979.

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**PREGNANT? NEED HELP?**
**CALL 239-772-4673**

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**Family, Faith and Fun Day**
JULY 25th
The day will include engaging speakers, fun activities for the whole family, and spiritual elements including a closing Mass at 4PM.

Register online at www.dioceseofvenice.org/family-day or mail check to: Diocese of Venice Attn: Family Conference 1000 Pinebrook Rd. Venice, FL 34285

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**YOUTH MINISTRY**
**REGISTRATION OPEN FOR THE FALL!**

Junior. Yth. ~ 6–8th gr.
Senior. Yth. ~ 9-12th gr.

Register fees:*
$35 thru June 30
$45 thru July 31
$55 thru Aug. 31
$65 thereafter

NEW TIME FOR RYM BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 20TH...

Family / Youth Mass 5:30pm
Followed by Youth Gatherings 6:30–8:00pm
Call RYM or email with any questions: Vikki@resurrectionch.org / 481-5144

*Add’l fee for Confirmation Prep. ~ 2yr. Program begins in 9th gr.*
MONTH 3 – Developing Baby -- “I can suck my thumb!”

Your spiritually adopted baby is quite active in the womb now -- although his mother won’t feel him for another couple of months. If his mother’s womb had a window, you could watch your spiritually adopted baby squint, swallow and move his tongue. He can make a tight fist if you touch his palm. He is breathing amniotic fluid which continues until birth, although he obtains the oxygen his body needs through the umbilical cord. The baby you are praying for weighs one ounce. Early this month – at just 9 weeks – he began to suck his thumb.

Psalm 139:14-16 - I praise you, because I am wonderfully made; wonderful are your works! My very self you know. My bones are not hidden from you. When I was being made in secret, fashioned in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw me unformed; in your book all are written down; my days were shaped, before one came to be.

PRAYER TO END ABORTION

Lord God, I thank you today for the gift of my life, And for the lives of all my brothers and sisters. I know there is nothing that destroys more life than abortion, Yet I rejoice that you have conquered death by the Resurrection of Your Son. I am ready to do my part in ending abortion. Today I commit myself
Never to be silent,
Never to be passive,
Never to be forgetful of the unborn.
I commit myself to be active in the pro-life movement, And never to stop defending life Until all my brothers and sisters are protected, And our nation once again becomes A nation with liberty and justice Not just for some, but for all. Through Christ our Lord. Amen!
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.
Would you like to serve Our Lord?

Sign up now to be an altar server.
You must be at least 10 years old.

Fill out the form below and return in an envelope in the collection on Sunday, marked Attn: Tina.

Name___________________________________________

D.O.B.____________________________________________

Parents Name____________________________________

Address__________________________________________

Telephone Nos. Cell____________Home________________

Deacon Mike Esper will conduct the training sessions to be scheduled at a later date.
Head Sacristan Tina Jacobik will call parents to notify of dates and times.