3rd Sunday of Advent
Third Sunday of Advent
December 13, 2015

With joy you will draw water at the fountain of salvation.
— Isaiah 12:3

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 the faithful of the parish.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

During this Year of the Consecrated Life, Pope Francis calls on the faithful to recognize the extraordinary witness that consecrated women and men offer our Church and world. This is indeed a special year for Religious men and women. Many retired religious men and women remain active in volunteer ministry, others are frail and need assistance. Often having worked for small stipends, their religious communities struggle to provide adequate care for aging members. This annual appeal benefits some 35,000 senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests, women and men who have consecrated their lives to serving God and the Church. Parishes in the Diocese of Venice will conduct this annual collection for the "Retirement Fund for Religious", the weekend of December 12 and 13, 2015. Your gift provides vital funding for medications, nursing care, and much more. Help is also provided to religious congregations to implement long-term retirement strategies that ensure quality eldercare.

I ask you to join Pope Francis in acknowledging the gift of consecrated life and the men and women who have taught so many of us. Please join me in supporting the Retirement Fund for Religious and pray for God's Blessing on all religious men and women. Thank you for your generosity!

I take this opportunity to extend to each of you the assurances of my continued consideration, as well as my prayers for you and your family. Have a Blessed Advent Season.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
+ Frank J. Dewane
Bishop of the Diocese of Venice in Florida

WEEKLY OFFERING December 6, 2015

Reg. Offertory: $24,436.93
Catholic Education: $5,661.00
Latin Mass: $618.00
St. Vincent DePaul: $778.00

On-Line Giving, November, 2015

Offertory: $8,477.00
Education: $280.00

SVDP Distributions, November 2015

Rent Assists: $975.00
Utilities: $621.71
Food Thanksgiving: $600.00

Members of the SVDP conference thank you for the generous contributions made during the Thanksgiving Day Mass Celebrations and to the Poor Boxes throughout the Year.

Your gifts placed in the Saint Vincent De Paul Poor Boxes brings Christ's love and compassion to the poor and needy.

5:00 Mass Music:
12-13-15
Gathering: M220
Offertory: SS144
Communion: M287
Recessional: SS313

SS: Spirit and Song (purple book)
RB: YP Glory & Praise (red book)
M: Missalette

“Thank You” to the Resurrection Men’s Club for the $5,000.00 donation to the 2015 Catholic Faith Appeal!!

CELEBRATE

This Sunday, God rejoices and sings because of us. We read in Zephaniah today that God “will sing joyfully because of you, / as one sings at festivals” (Zephaniah 3:18). We know plenty about singing at festivals. Already our ears are ringing with the songs and carols that anticipate the Christmas season.

Paul reminds us of the source of our own double rejoicing: God is the mighty savior who is in our midst (in Zephaniah’s words). Because this is so, says Paul, we can rejoice and be at ease. We don’t have to worry, for God’s peace will stand guard over our hearts and minds.

A medieval carol depicts Christmas as “my dancing day” and urges us to enter into the dance. Why all the merrymaking? Because “the Lord is near,” as Paul reminds us (Philippians 4:5). He then points to another reason for the dancing: the dawn of the promise of peace, the peace beyond all understanding, that is now within our grasp.

2015 CATHOLIC FAITH APPEAL

Our commitment for this year is $360,000.00
Pledges made thus far Total: $359,815.36
Payments made thus far Total: $353,379.31, Thank you!

We still need $6,620.69 to reach our goal.

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

AN ADVENT PRAYER

May the God of peace make us completely holy. May God keep us blameless in spirit, soul and body for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Forever faithful is the One who calls us—God our Father! Expectant, let us live in joyful hope for the revelation of the glory of our God and Savior, Christ Jesus!

To him be glory forever! Come, Lord Jesus! Your grace be with us all.
CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD
2015

The Priests, Deacons and Staff of the Parish wish you every blessing in this Holy and Happy Season.
Pastor: Rev. Msgr. Stephen E. McNamara, V.F., V.G.
Parochial Vicars: Rev. P. Oliver Toner, Rev. Thomas Kelly, Rev. Murchadh O’Madagain
Deacons: Rev. Mr. Michael Esper, Rev. Dr. David Reardon

CONFESSIONS
Saturday, December 19, 2015
8:30 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.
1:30 P.M. to 3:15 P.M.
Monday, December 21, 2015
8:30 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.
5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.
Tuesday, December 22, 2015
8:30 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.

NEW YEAR’S VIGIL MASS
Thursday, December 31, 2015
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
5:30 P.M. New Year’s Day Vigil Mass

NEW YEAR’S DAY MASSES
Friday, January 1, 2015
Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
7:30 A.M. Mass
9:00 A.M. Mass
10:30 A.M. Mass
12:45 P.M. Latin Mass

CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES
Thursday, December 24, 2015
3:30 P.M. Children’s Christmas Pageant
4:00 P.M. Mass & Children’s Choir
7:30 P.M. Mass with Choir & Congregational Singing
9:30 P.M. Schola Choral Prelude
10:00 P.M. Christmas Eve Liturgy

CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES
Friday, December 25, 2015
7:30 A.M. Cantor & Congregational Singing
9:00 A.M. Cantor & Congregational Singing
10:30 A.M. Cantor & Congregational Singing
12:45 P.M. Latin Mass

NO 5:00 P.M. MASS ON
SUNDAY, DEC. 27 AND SUNDAY, JAN. 3
Help beautify our sanctuary for the celebration of Christmas

If you would like to donate sanctuary flowers for Christmas to memorialize and honor your loved ones during Christmas you may use the Christmas Flower Offering envelopes located at the entrances of the church. Place the name of the person you wish to honor, your name and phone number and return via the collection basket, or you may call the Parish Office, 481-7172. We will place all the Christmas Flower envelopes on a pedestal on the sacred altar for the octaves of Christmas, as an offering to our Lord. Envelopes for this purpose may also be found in your envelope packets.

During Advent there are no flowers in church.

This week’s Sanctuary Candle:

In Loving Memory of
Joseph & Anna Castalano
by Children

From Advent Anticipation to Christmas Joy: Have no anxiety at all.

On Gaudete Sunday we are told in the second reading, "Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:6-7).

PLEASE JOIN US IN THE PARISH CENTER FOR DONUTS AND COFFEE AFTER THE SUNDAY 10:30 MASS

STRENGTH AND COURAGE
Prayer infuses the weak with strength and the fainthearted with courage.
—Anonymous
Bible Study During Holy Year of Mercy

Join us to share faith

Wednesdays

10:00am - 11:30 am

*We are a people born anew to a life of hope*

Calling ALL who search

For Relationship with God

For Meaning in Life

For Mercy

Ask Questions

Share faith stories!

Our Angel Tree Project was a huge success thanks to RYM and the many parishioners that helped organize and sort hundreds of gifts!

Each year, Youth Ministry is blessed to have Nancy Gardner and Diane Gislason’s dedication to ensure that each and every Angel is accounted for!
RYM HOSTED OUR ANNUAL BABYSITTING BONANZA AND IT WAS A BLAST!
We Celebrate the Rite of Welcoming
December 13 - 9:00am Mass

Welcome to Our Candidates!

Candidates
Receive Eucharist & Confirmation at Easter Vigil.

Our church is filled with joy and happiness in welcoming:

Brad Bender with his sponsor Kathleen Bender
Thomas Hitchcock with his sponsor Barbara Hitchcock
Elaine Trapp with her sponsor Judy Hilferty
Gregory Warnecke with his sponsor Sharon Warnecke

Join us as in Prayer for these Candidates:

Almighty God, by the cross and resurrection of your Son you have given life to your people. In Baptism these your servants accepted the sign of the cross: make them living proof of its saving power and help them to persevere in the footsteps of Christ.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. AMEN

RCIA WELCOMES ALL INquiriers AT ALL TIMES!

JOIN US this ADVENT…

A TIME OF WAITING…

If you, or someone you love is Searching…

For HOPE… For JOY… For PEACE … For LIGHT

Our Parish Mission is: A People Born Anew to a Life of Hope.

YOU are INVITED! WELCOMED! PRAYED FOR!

CALL - WE ARE HERE TO LISTEN TO YOUR QUESTIONS.