June 5, 2016

TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Hope and Life -

Today’s readings tell the story of two widows. The first reading relates the plight of the widow with whom the prophet Elijah stayed; the Gospel tells about the widow of Nain. In each story, the widow’s only son had died. For people who lived in those cultures, the son was the only support of a widow, and the carrying on of the family name by the son was equal to immortality. A widow whose only son has died could lose all hope.

Elijah and Jesus are the restorers of hope; they bring the sons back to life. Saint Paul was metaphorically raised from the dead when he experienced the conversion and call from God that he describes in today’s second reading.

What are Christians called to do today? We may not be able to raise the dead, but perhaps we can rekindle hope for a single parent. We may not be able to convert a persecutor like Paul, but if we speak the gospel openly and gently with our lives, we might touch a life with the Good News.
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You changed my mourning into dancing; O LORD, my God, forever will I give you thanks. 
— Psalm 30:12, 13

**TODAY’S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Elijah revives the son of a widow (1 Kings 17:17-24).

**Psalm** — I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me (Psalm 30).

**Second Reading** — Paul explains God’s call to him to preach to the Gentiles (Galatians 1:11-19).

**Gospel** — Jesus raises from the dead, the son of a widow in the city of Nain (Luke 7:11-17).

This week’s Sanctuary Candle:

In loving memory of

Tommy G. Stephens

by daughter, Patricia

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, 8:30am.
For more information call 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, Sundays, after the 9:00a.m. Mass, for info, 482-6883
Rel. Ed., September - May
Resurrection for Life, for info, call Judy at 287-1237
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,
sudp@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

MINISTRY OF THE SICK

IMPORTANT NOTE TO ALL PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS:

When admitted to the hospital please register as Catholic and notify the parish office immediately, 481-7171.
Resurrection priests visit the hospitals daily.

To protect your privacy hospitals do not give out information on patients without their permission.

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

WEEKLY OFFERING

May 29, 2016

Offertory figures unavailable at time of printing. See next week’s bulletin.

Support the Conscience Protection Act of 2016 (HR4828/ S2927) - Your voice is needed to contact Congress today! The need to defend conscience rights has grown urgent since the HHS Mandate was handed down. For years the Catholic Bishops have asked Congress to reform federal laws on conscience rights, especially to protect individual and institutional health care providers who object to abortion - good people like Cathy Cenzon-DeCarlo, R.N. Cathy was forced to participate in the destruction of a defenseless five-month-old unborn child against her deeply-held pro-life beliefs. Today we continue to advocate for common-sense legislation to protect those who choose not to participate in abortion. Please raise your voice in defense of life and liberty. Go to www.HumanLifeActionCenter.org to learn more and send your message to Congress today! Additional information is available at www.usccb.org/conscience. Be sure to watch the short video, Stand with Cathy for Conscience Rights (also on www.YouTube.com) and share it with friends and social networks.

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.

Altar Flowers This Week:

In loving memory of:

Ann Merendino

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June 5, 2016 -
The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

John 16:12-15
Whatever the Father has is mine. The Spirit of truth will guide us.

Gospel Reading
Luke 7:11–17
Jesus demonstrates his power over death.

Background on the Gospel
The Gospel of Luke, written around A.D. 80–90, is best understood in light of the author’s background. Luke was not Jewish, nor was he among the first generation of Christian disciples. He did not know or travel with Jesus. To write his Gospel, he depended on the testimony and traditions of eyewitnesses to Jesus’ life and death.

Luke, as a Gentile, was intent on sharing Jesus’ life story, teachings, and message of universal Salvation. In the passage before this Sunday’s Gospel, Jesus cures the dying slave of a Gentile. Throughout his Gospel, Luke demonstrates that God’s promises to Israel are fulfilled in Jesus and that Salvation through Jesus Christ is extended to all people.

In this Sunday’s Gospel, Jesus and his disciples are approaching the city of Naim when they come upon a large funeral procession. The only son of a widow is being carried out. Jesus, filled with pity for the grieving mother, tells her not to weep. He then touches the coffin and tells the young man to arise. With that, the dead man gets up and starts speaking. The crowd, amazed at what they have just witnessed, praise God, saying, “A great prophet has arisen in our midst” and “God has visited his people.”

This is reminiscent of what we hear in today’s First Reading from 1 Kings when the prophet Elijah raised from the dead the only son of a widow. The woman’s response is recognition of Elijah as a prophet, a man of God: “It is truly the word of the LORD that you speak.”

For all these people, at this point in time, Jesus is a great prophet doing wonders and speaking in the name of God. Even John the Baptist sent his followers to listen to Jesus and report back to him. John’s question was: “Are you the one to come, or should we look for another?” (Luke 7:19) The time for the full revelation of Jesus’ person and his mission is yet to come.

Youth Ministry Registration
Open for the Fall!

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

NEW TIME FOR RYM BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 25TH...
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*Add’l fee for Confirmation Prep.  
2yr. Program begins in 9th gr.
Registration forms can be printed out from our website: www.resurrectionch.org  
Or stop in at the Parish Center!

Jubilee Year of Mercy -  
Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Half the liturgical year 2016 is completed after six months of extraordinary celebrations. The Incarnation mystery: Jesus’ Advent, Nativity, Epiphany. The Paschal mystery: Jesus’ passion, death, resurrection, Pentecost’s Holy Spirit. The solemnities of Holy Trinity and Jesus’ Body and Blood. Today the Church resumes Sundays in Ordinary Time, but with a Gospel of extraordinary mercy: Jesus raises a dead man to life. Yet the one who benefits most from his extraordinary mercy is not the dead son but his widowed mother. With her husband and only son deceased, this woman’s material support, in that patriarchal society, had vanished. So had her emotional support, leaving her helpless, abandoned, on society’s “peripheries.” One of Pope Francis’ hopes in calling this Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy is to transform us into more extraordinary Christians, by making our caring outreach to just such vulnerable people, and our practical self-sacrificing love for them, our ordinary, daily, Christian way of life!
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Registration for the 2016-2017 Faith Formation year is now open!

K-5th Grade
Sundays from 4:00p.m. to 5:00p.m.
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“Let the little children come to me.” Matt. 19-14

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    $70 beginning June 1
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REGISTER NOW FOR VBS!

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