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.

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

August 21, 2016
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

DISCIPLINE

It is no accident that the words “disciple” and “discipline” are nearly identical. Their relationship in Christian faith and life, however, has fallen somewhat out of favor in the past generation, as certain prescribed Church rules and regulations have been reduced and relaxed. These rules were often referred to as “disciplines.” We are mistaken, however, to think that it no longer takes discipline to follow Christ. The Letter to the Hebrews assures us of that today. Our discipline is more like that of an athlete pursuing a victory or a personal best, or a musician striving for a concert career or to master a new piece of music. This discipline comes from desire, not from regulations. It was the desire to do the will of God that led Jesus on the path to his cross. It is that same desire he encourages in us today: to strive to enter through the narrow gate, to find ourselves in the kingdom with a surprising assortment of people who are there not because of mere observation of rules, but out of a genuine desire to recline at the table of the heavenly banquet.

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Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 21, 2016

Strengthen your drooping hands and your weak knees. Make straight paths for your feet, that what is lame may not be disjointed but healed.
— Hebrews 12:12-13

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**Mass Schedule**

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

**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.

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**This Sunday’s Readings:**

**First Reading**
Isaiah 66:18-21
Nations of every language shall come to see my glory.

**Responsorial Psalm**
Psalm 117:1-2
Praise the Lord, all you nations.

**Second Reading**
Hebrews 12:5-7,11-13
Whom the Lord loves, he disciplines.

**Gospel Reading**
People will come from north and south, east and west, and take their place in the Kingdom of God.

**Background on the Gospel Reading**

Today’s Gospel reading is the third of three parables in chapter 13 that deal with the theme of the unexpected reversals brought by the Kingdom of God. The other two parables are about the tiny mustard seed that grows into a large tree and the small amount of yeast that makes a large batch of dough rise. All three are about the few and the many and the Kingdom of God.

As this parable opens, Luke reminds us that Jesus is making his way to Jerusalem. This journey, this exodus as Luke refers to it, makes up the entire middle of the Gospel. He is teaching as he goes. A question from the crowd gives Jesus the chance to make a prophetic statement. Luke uses this question device a number of times in his Gospel. A few weeks ago, the question “What must I do to inherit eternal life?” led to the parable of the Good Samaritan. The question about who will only a few be saved uses typical Christian language about salvation but also expresses the Jewish concern about whether everyone who calls himself a Jew is actually faithful to the covenant. This was a concern of the Pharisees.

Jesus answers that they must strive in the time remaining to enter through the narrow door because many will be trying to get in but won’t be strong enough. He then moves to a parable about another door. (The translation says “gate” then “door,” but the same Greek word is used.) Once all those entering the master’s house are in and he locks the door, there will be no way for others to get in. Those left outside may knock, but the master will say he doesn’t know them. Unlike the Gospel reading from a few weeks ago where Jesus was teaching about prayer, and we were told to knock and the door would be opened, in this parable, the master will not open and say he does not know us. People from the north, south, east, and west will take our place inside. Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and all the prophets will take our place in the Kingdom of God. Those who do not make it through the narrow door will be cast out to where there is wailing and grinding of teeth.

The image of the door is replaced in the final verses of the parable with the image of the heavenly banquet. Two passages from the Book of Isaiah influence the conclusion. Isaiah 43:5-6 speaks of God bringing Israel’s descendents back from the east and from the west, the north and the south. And Isaiah 25:6 speaks of the Lord providing a feast of rich foods and choice wines for all peoples on his holy mountain. The answer to the question if only a few will be saved is no. In the end, many will be saved, but many who thought they would be saved will not be saved. The parable is a prophetic warning to repentance in order to enter the kingdom.
WEEKLY OFFERING

August 14, 2016
Offertory: $15,626.00
Latin mass: $650.00
SVDP: $596.00

August 21: Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time: In today’s Gospel, Jesus tells us to “strive to enter through the narrow gate.” Our call to be disciples and to follow Jesus demands that we learn to live for the sake of others. With love for your neighbors who have nothing, look around your house to see what furniture, household items, and clothing you no longer use...and give it to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Registration for Faith Formation
Grades K-5 is still open!

Start Date: September 25th
Class Time: Sundays 4:00-5:00pm
Followed by 5:15 Mass
Tuition: - $70
- $15 each additional child
- $25 Sacramental Prep fee if receiving First Communion this year

Registration forms are available in the church office or on line at: www.resurrectionch.org
*Please register by September 1st*
*Tuition assistance is available.*

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!

Altar Flowers
This Week:
In loving memory of:
James Dwyer
by Friends at Resurrection

Switch to the Choose Life License Plate for Free and Help Promote Adoption -
For a limited time, you can save the $85 fee to switch to the Choose Life License Plate if you agree to keep it for 5 years. Each year the special fee of $25 (approximately $2 per month) will provide $20 to a local agency to support life and adoption. The funds are needed for housing, utilities, food, medical care, clothing, transportation and counseling for pregnant women making an adoption plan. Email russ@choose-life.org to request your free gift certificate to switch. Questions? Contact Jeanne at Berdeaux@dioceseofvenice.org or 941-441-1101.

“Let the little children come to me.”
Matt. 19-14
Calling All Moms...
You are invited to share in a Catholic ministry for mothers!

Ministry for Moms:
Where mothers are nourished, strengthened and cherished,
and families are celebrated!

Join together with other MOMS to celebrate family, parenting and life as Mom on the first and third Thursday mornings beginning in OCTOBER. If you are interested in joining the core ministry team to share your gifts, ideas, experiences or suggestions please contact Amanda Gavini at: 239-222-0452 or girlyamanda@yahoo.com

Resurrection Youth Ministry would like to thank all the Parishioners who so generously donated school supplies for kids in need. We were able to fill over 50 backpacks with all the necessities to start the school year off with a bang!

Galatians 6:2 Bear one another’s burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.
Lectors Needed
No experience necessary since training will be provided. Flexible Mass schedule. Call Todd at 239-284-4979.

All women are invited to a breakfast sponsored by Magnificat, a ministry to Catholic women. The breakfast will be held Saturday, September 3, 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM at the Holiday Inn Airport, Gulf Coast Town Center, Fort Myers. Our speaker will be Marie Popkin. Please send a $20 check, payable to Magnificat Fort Myers, to Joanne Tarantino, 3315 Bermuda Isle Circle, Unit 128, Naples, FL 34109, 239-631-6661, or Barbara Toy, 20230 Burnside Place #1703, Estero, FL 33928, 646-296-2335. Requests must be postmarked by August 23.

Altar Servers Needed.
Please call parish office for more information if interested. 239-481-7172

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, June 6, July 11, Aug. 1, 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, 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

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

YOUTH MINISTRY REGISTRATION OPEN FOR THE FALL!

Register fees:*
Junior Yth. grades 6-8
$55 thru Aug. 31
$65 thereafter
Senior Yth. grades 9-12

NEW TIME FOR RYM BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 25TH...
Family/Youth Mass 5:15pm
Followed by Youth Gatherings 6:15– 7:45pm
Call RYM or email with any questions: Vikki@resurrectionch.org / 481-5144

*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!