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.

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August 28, 2016
TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

HUMILITY

Have you ever been in a group of people—maybe on a tour, at a social gathering, or at church—and discovered that you have just been talking with a well-known author, corporate CEO, great scholar, or politician? Your first thought is the hope that you didn’t say anything to embarrass yourself; but your second thought is how much they seemed like such “regular” folks. What is it that makes people seem so “regular”? Today’s readings give us a clue when they stress the importance of humility.

It is so hard for us not to tell the first person who will listen how busy we are, how hard we work, how much money we donate, and how important our job titles are. We think these accolades make a difference to people, and if we don’t tell them, how will they ever know? But if our actions demonstrate our values, people will recognize our worth on their own. The words of Jesus show us how much better it is to let someone else recognize our worth than to be embarrassed because someone did not.

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You have approached Mount Zion
and the city of the living God.
— Hebrews 12:22a

This Sunday’s Readings:

First Reading
Sirach 3:17-18,20,28-29
Humble yourself and you will find favor with God

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 68:4-7,10-11
The just rejoice and exult before God.

Second Reading
Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24
You have approached Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem.

Gospel Reading
Luke 14:1,7-14
When you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind.

Background on the Gospel Reading
Meals played an important role in the society in which Jesus lived. More than a time for sharing nourishment, they were a time to share ideas and to model different aspects of social relationships. In Luke's Gospel, the places that a person ate (at the home of a tax collector, 5:29), the people with whom a person ate (sinners, 5:30), whether a person washed before eating (11:38), and, as is the case here, the place that a person sits while eating are all important. The narrator says Jesus tells a parable, but it is really wise advice to both guests and hosts about finding true happiness at the heavenly banquet. Jesus warns guests to wait before taking their places at the table lest they be asked to move if someone more important arrives. This is more than just a lesson about dinner etiquette. It is advice on how to find your true place in the Kingdom of God. Jesus advises hosts not to invite people who would be expected to repay them to dinner but to invite those who could not repay: the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. This is where real blessings can be found.

In these sayings, Luke gives us not only advice on how to approach the end times but also on how to live according to Jesus' vision of a good society. Luke's Gospel also advises us how the Church must be part of bringing about this society. It is yet another example in Luke's Gospel of the reversal the kingdom brings about.
**WEEKLY OFFERING**

**August 21, 2016**

Offertory: $20,980.50  
Latin mass: $454.00  
SVDP: $532.00

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**August 28: Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary**  
- Time Today, we hear Jesus say to us, “...when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame and the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.”

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**2016 CATHOLIC FAITH APPEAL**

Our assessment for this year is $347,000.00  
Payments made thus far Total: $308,271.65, Thank you!  
We still need $38,728.35 to pay our assessment.

*Please join our parish by making a donation today!*

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**This week’s Sanctuary Candle:**  
*In loving memory of*  
**Joseph Chuska**  
by Kimberly Chuska

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**Altar Flowers This Week:**  
In honor of:  
**Tom & Jeannine Thompson’s 65th Anniv.**  
by Friends at Resurrection

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**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!**

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"Let the little children come to me."  
Matt. 19-14
GIFT SHOP HOURS
Sat: 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.          Sun: 8:00 - 11:45 a.m.

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

PRAYER FOR PEACE IN OUR WORLD
Pope John Paul II
O God, Creator of the universe, who extends your paternal concern over every creature and guides the events of history to the goal of salvation, we acknowledge your fatherly love when you break the resistance of mankind and, in a world torn by strife and discord, you make us ready for reconciliation. Renew for us the wonders of your mercy; send forth your Spirit that he may work in the intimacy of hearts, that enemies may begin to dialogue, that adversaries may shake hands and peoples may encounter one another in harmony. May all commit themselves to the sincere search for true peace which will extinguish all arguments, for charity which overcomes hatred, for pardon which disarms revenge.

- www.usccb.org

PLEASE JOIN US FOR ADORATION EVERY FIRST FRIDAY AFTER THE 8:00 MASS
All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Lectors Needed
Looking to grow in your faith? Look no further than participating in the Lector Ministry. It will literally change your life! No experience necessary since training will be provided. Flexible Mass schedule. Call Todd at 239-284-4979.

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Mark Your Calendars!
Annual Women’s Guild Craft Bazaar
October 28th and 29th

We are getting closer to the cooler weather and that can only mean it is time for the Annual Craft Bazaar. So mark your calendars and start looking forward to this great event. Whether you are a crafter, baker, volunteer or have some gently used items to donate, we welcome you all. Donations of hand crafted items, used books, dvds, cds, puzzles, jewelry, craft supplies and other cherished items can be dropped off at the Parish Center. Keep in mind we will be having the popular bake sale at the bazaar too! So, all of you home chefs, plan on donating your favorite goodies. Our volunteer schedule will be available at the first Guild meeting of the season on September 21st at 9am. Looking for some fun? Join our crafters on Tuesday mornings at 8:30am for chit chat, coffee and crafts. You don’t have to be a Martha Stewart to enjoy creating items for the bazaar. Whether you donate, create, volunteer or shop you will be helping the Women’s Guild support their charitable works.

For more information call Joan at 239-432-0656.

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.
3 Reasons Why the Canonization of Mother Teresa Matters to You

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Catholic Online (www.catholic.org)

On September 4, 2016, Pope Francis will canonize Mother Teresa as a saint of the Roman Catholic Church. Her canonization is an important event for Catholics and all people around the world. Here’s 3 reasons why.

LOS ANGELES, CA (Catholic Online) - When Mother Teresa is canonized on September 4, she will be most remembered for her selfless charity. Mother Teresa worked with the poorest of the poor in Calcutta (Kolkata), India, serving lepers and others who would otherwise suffer without care. Her services were given freely, and her example was followed by the sisters in the order she founded, the Missionaries of Charity.

1. Mother Teresa has inspired thousands of followers in several different nations as well as individual acts of kindness around the globe. She has been mentioned as a charitable inspiration by world leaders.

Her order has 19 mission homes in Kolkata, as well as several others around the world. The Missionaries of Charity also operate a school, care for ex-prostitutes and run soup kitchens.

2. Another reason why Mother Teresa is important is not one that is normally advertised. Mother Teresa had grave doubts about God and her relationship with Him. She questioned his presence, saying on numerous occasions she did not feel it at all. Mother Teresa said she felt this way because she saw so much suffering in the world, which is a common problem for many who question the existence and nature of God.

What is important is not that she doubted, but that she lived a faithful life in spite of her doubts. Mother Teresa knew that regardless of God's presence, there was a form of right and wrong that had to be obeyed. She knew that right required charity.

She demonstrated that a person can live a faith-filled life even when filled with doubts.

3. Her message is universal. No matter what religion a person is, or if they don't believe at all, Mother Teresa's life message, to embrace suffering, especially that of the poor. One of the great tragedies of our time, and indeed of all time, is that we tend to shun the suffering or at least avoid interacting with them.

Yet suffering is often intensified by solitude and assuaged by company. Even a small kindness can have a tremendous impact on a person's suffering. People have abandoned suicide plans, have changed faiths, and have gone on to do great things because of small gestures of kindness.

Every human being suffers and understands suffering. Every human being also understands kindness and compassion. Mother Teresa is important because she lived her life in such a way as to inspire kindness. Few people do this, and for this reason it is important to hold up her example for all to follow, Catholic or not.

- Mother Teresa of Calcutta is an example for all to follow, even the nonbeliever.
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.
“A Nation That Kills Its Own Children Is a Nation Without Hope.”
~ Pope John Paul II

Bereavement and Beyond -
Because of the Labor Day holiday, the next Bereavement and Beyond meeting will be Monday Sept. 12 at 8:30. Regular weekly meetings will resume in October.

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 Taran at 24100 Burnside Place #1703, Estero, FL 33928, 646-296-2335. Requests must be postmarked by August 23.

Lectors Needed
No experience necessary since training will be provided. Flexible Mass schedule. Call Todd at 239-284-4979.

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, Sept. 12, 8:30 and then every Monday, 8:30 beginning in Oct. 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

“Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted”
~Matthew 5:4
The fourth annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children is Saturday, September 10, 2016. On that day Americans will honor the memory of the more than 50 million unborn victims of abortion in our nation since 1973. That event in our community will take place at St. Raphael Catholic Church, 2514 Lee Blvd, Lehigh Acres, Fl, beginning with Mass, celebrated at 8:00 am, and followed by the Memorial Service at 9:00 am.
Please come! We can seek God’s divine comfort as we, alongside others throughout the USA, mourn for these victims. (See abortion-memorials.com for national details). Let us never forget their precious lives as we continue to pray and work for an end to abortion. If you need a ride, call Judy at 287-1237, and we’ll arrange for car pools.

YOUTH MINISTRY
REGISTRATION OPEN FOR THE FALL!

Register fees:*

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SEPTEMBER 25TH...
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Call RYM or email with any questions:
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*Add’l fee for Confirmation Prep. ~ 2yr. Program begins in 9th gr.

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

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