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

October 2, 2016
TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LET GO AND LET GOD

Many twelve-step programs use the phrase “Let go and let God.” In all their simplicity, these five words are the heart of today’s readings. For people who struggle with addictive behavior, these words plainly remind us that we can’t manage, control, or manipulate certain areas of our lives. How many times can we look back in our lives and find evidence of some plan at work other than our own? These are the moments when, for whatever reasons, we let someone greater than ourselves work the plan. We probably didn’t even recognize at the time that we were letting go of anything, but in retrospect, we see God’s hand and loving presence. It is our awareness of these moments that gives us the courage and initiative to let go again later on. It is this courage and initiative that are highlighted in today’s readings. We come to call it “faith.”

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Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 2, 2016

Come, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the LORD who made us.
— Psalm 95:6

Mass Schedule

SAT. OCT 01 - VIGIL MASS
3:30 †Richard Roszkiewicz by Karen & Juan Serret

SUN. OCT 02 -
7:30 ♥†People of the Parish
9:00 †Carol Weiland by family
10:30 ♥Special Intention for Grandchildren by Nanti

2:15 Latin Mass
5:15 †Connor Vogel by Barbara M. Pizzolato

MON. OCT 03 -
8:00 †Mattie Brown, Marilyn Reynolds, Maureen Ryan by M/M John Troia

TUE. OCT 04 -
8:00 †Marie Micillo by daughter, Maria

WED. OCT 05 -
8:00 †Rudy & Barney Pastiak by Friedl Family

THU. OCT 06 -
8:00 †Ceil & Harry Ter Lecki by Friedl Family

FRI. OCT 07 -
8:00 †Francis & George Kreis by Friedl Family

SAT. OCT 08 -
8:00 †Mike Levickas by Sue & Jerry

SAT. OCT 08 - VIGIL MASS
3:30 †Gordon Lee by wife, Sadie

SUN. OCT 09 -
7:30 ♥†People of the Parish
9:00 ♥Special Intention for Maureen Brewer by Terri Landry
10:30 †Clare Schumacher by Bill Schumacher

2:15 Latin Mass
5:15 †Jeanne G. Vogel by Barbara M. Pizzolato

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 Neal Mellen.

WELL-READ?
When the day of judgment comes, we shall not be asked what we have read, but what we have done.
—Thomas à Kempis

Resurrection Prayer Line Ministry
For prayer requests or to sign up as a volunteer call: 481-1170.

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.

First Reading
Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4
The patience of the just man shall be rewarded when he sees the vision fulfilled.

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 95:1-2,6-7,8-9
Sing joyfully to God, our salvation.

Second Reading
2 Timothy 1:6-8,13-14
Paul urges Timothy to remain strong in the Spirit of faith Timothy received.

Gospel Reading
Luke 17:5-10
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Practice What You Preach
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WEEKLY OFFERING

September 25, 2016

Offertory: $14,689.00
Latin mass: $234.00
SVDP: $465.00

Thank You!

2016 CATHOLIC FAITH APPEAL

Our assessment for this year is $347,000.00

Payments made thus far Total: $320,849.23, Thank you!

We still need $26,150.77 to pay our assessment.

Please join our parish by making a donation today!

Safe Environment Training -
As part of the Safe Environment Program, the Diocese of Venice requires that all employees and those volunteers who work with children and/or vulnerable adults be fingerprinted and trained in Safe Environment.

Classes will be held at Resurrection parish on:

- Thursday Oct. 6, 6-8 p.m.
- Saturday Oct. 8, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

For the entire current training schedule go to the following web address:

http://files.constantcontact.com/45669ebe001/241cccf9-afb2-43e6-b186-978830a9662d.pdf

Altar Servers Needed—please call parish office for more information if interested.

Ushers Needed—please call parish office for more information if interested.

239-481-7172

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This Week’s Second Collection is for Respect Life Sunday

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Catholic Church remains at the forefront in speaking out on the issue of the sanctity of life, from conception to natural death, regardless of age or condition. During this Year of Mercy, the words of Pope Francis remind us that, “We are called to show mercy because mercy has first been shown to us.” In thanking for the mercy shown to us throughout this Year of Mercy, let us do what we can to help others and to promote a greater respect for all human life.

Each year on Respect Life Sunday, the first weekend in October, parishes throughout the Diocese of Venice conduct a special second collection to enhance the life affirming work of the Diocesan Respect Life Office. The funds remain in the Diocese of Venice and facilitate our witness as a faith community in southwest Florida. Please continue to pray for a greater respect for all human life at all stages of life. Further, please be as generous as you can in supporting this annual collection so that this outreach can be expanded. Thank you!

To explore ways to use not only your treasure but your time and talent as well to support life, contact your Parish or the Diocesan Respect Life Office at 941-441-1101. May God bless you with a deep appreciation for the gift of life and the courage to defend the sanctity of life. Let us remain united in prayer.

Sincerely your in Christ,

+Frank J. Dewane
Bishop of the Diocese of Venice in Florida

Know the Positions of the Presidential Candidates

In keeping with its mission to educate and inform Catholics and assist the faithful with their responsibility to participate in political life, the FCCB has released its 2016 presidential guide, Know the Positions of the Presidential Candidates.

To help voters form their consciences before casting their ballots, the positions of the presidential candidates on several key issues have been compiled from policies, public statements, official and campaign websites and other resources. These issues do not represent a complete list of concerns that may be of importance to Catholics.

This document, approved for distribution in Florida parishes, is but one tool to help Catholics prepare for the election and is not a substitute for individual research and study. The responsibility to make political choices rests with each individual in light of a properly formed conscience in accordance with human reason and the truths of our faith. The FCCB neither supports nor opposes any candidate for public office.

Find “Know the Positions of the Presidential Candidates” here:

PRAYER Walk FOR LIFE

Monday, October 3, 2016

9:00 a.m.  Mass with Bishop Frank J. Dewane, Celebrant  
St. Cecilia Church, 5632 Sunrise Dr., Ft. Myers

10:00 a.m. Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
for those not participating at the abortion site

10:00 a.m. Proceed by car to Viva parking lot, 5990 Winkler  
Road (just north of the intersection of Winkler and  
College Parkway). Parking permission granted for this event only.

Prayerful procession with Bishop Dewane  
to abortion site, Planned Parenthood,  
8595 College Parkway.

Line sidewalk along Winkler to pray rosary.

11:45 a.m. Closing Benediction at St. Cecilia Church

In memory of more than 59 million unborn babies  
who have died since the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court  
decisions legalizing abortion for any reason.

For more information:  
(941) 441-1101 or Berdeaux@dioceseofvenice.org

Sponsored by the Diocese of Venice,  
Respect Life Office  
www.dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife
Resurrection Parish’s Schedule for 40 Days for Life, Week 1

**Monday, October 3: day 6**
Bishop Dewane’s Mass and Prayer Walk for Life: His 9:00 Mass at St. Cecilia Church will be followed by a procession from Viva parking lot, 5990 Winkler Road, to Planned Parenthood sidewalk to pray the rosary with him. (See Prayer Walk flyer).

**Those of you who cannot go to the sidewalk, please plan to stay at St. Cecilia Church for exposition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.** Closing Benediction for all will be at 11:45 am at the church.

All are welcome and encouraged to participate in the Masses, Prayer Walk and Rosary during 40 Days for Life. The power of prayer CAN and DOES make a difference in our effort to end abortion.

*May we all continue to pray for an end to abortion, confident in the power of prayer to bring about God’s will.*

“A Nation That Kills Its Own Children Is a Nation Without Hope.”

~ Pope John Paul II

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**RESURRECTION FOR LIFE**

**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.**

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**LOCAL COMMUNITY PREGNANCY CENTER IS IN NEED OF HELP**

Resurrection for Life members ask you to help foster life by helping with your donation of much needed items. Community Pregnancy Clinic helps mothers with counseling and provides them with supplies for their babies that they cannot afford. The current needs are:

- Disposable Diapers in Sizes 1, 3, 4, & 5 - **This is the most needed item**
- Baby wipes (not adult wipes)
- New Outfits Sizes *Newborn - 6 months* and *used* baby clothes - all sizes
- New Sleepers Sizes *NB - 12 months* & *Used all sizes thru 3T*
- Shampoo/Lotions
- Teethers/Baby Toys
- New knitted baby blankets, crib or bassinet size, gender specific
- pinks or blues - can be combinations of colors but should be more gender specific (i.e. pink with yellow, white, or other neutral colors), Hat/Booties
- Maternity clothes, gently used are welcomed

Donations may be dropped off at the PARISH CENTER.

We thank you as do the moms, babies, and families you are aiding!

**Thank you for your generous aid to this most worthy cause!**

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**Natural Family Planning Class** - Natural family planning is 100% natural, has no side effects and is effective in both achieving and postponing pregnancy. To learn more, consider attending a three class series to be held at Our Lady of the Angels Parish, 12905 State Road 70, Lakewood Ranch. The class dates are Sundays, September 11, October 16 and November 13 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. To register visit [https://register.ccli.org](https://register.ccli.org) or contact Andrea McSorley at ablyth3@gmail.com or 941-348-3258
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, 8:30 a.m.
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., church
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

My Lord God,
I have no idea where I am going.
I do not see the road ahead of me.
I cannot know for certain where it will end.
Nor do I really know myself,
And the fact that I think that I am following your will
Does not mean that I am actually doing so.
But I believe that the desire to please you
does in fact please you.
And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing.
I hope that I will never do anything apart
from that desire.
And I know that if I do this you will lead me
by the right road
Though I may know nothing about it.
Therefore will I trust you always
Though I may seem to be lost and in the
shadow of death.
I will not fear, For you are ever with me,
And you will never leave me to face my perils alone.

Thomas Merton
Thoughts in Solitude

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

PLEASE JOIN US FOR ADORATION EVERY FIRST FRIDAY AFTER THE 8:00 MASS

All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Wednesday Mornings
10:00 am - 11:30 am, Parish Center
Call - 481-7172

Bible Study Guided from the following Books

33 Days to Morning Glory by Michael E. Gaitley, MIC
15 Minute Prayer Solution by Gary Jansen
Rediscovering the Heart of a Disciple by Edward Sri
Joy of Love by Pope Francis
Joy of Discipleship by Pope Francis

The First Disciples - John 1:37-39

“The two disciples heard and followed Jesus. Jesus turned around, saw them following and said, ‘WHAT DO YOU WANT?’ They answered, ‘Rabbi, where do you live?’ He replied, ‘COME AND SEE’ and so they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him that day.”

HOPING YOU WILL COME AND SEE!
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

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. 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.

Altar Flowers
This Week:

In loving memory of:
Dona Badman
by friends at Resurrection

in honor and appreciation of:
all Resurrection Parish Volunteers

We are pleased to invite you to the Ribbon Cutting and Blessing for Casa San Juan Bosco II Farm Worker Community.
Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at 10 a.m.
A fiesta will follow the ceremony!
Hosted by Bishop Frank J. Dewane of the Diocese of Venice
Sponsored by Catholic Charities Housing, Diocese of Venice, Inc.
Event location:
2358 SE Arnold Andrews Avenue, Arcadia, FL 34266
Please RSVP to Silvia Suarez at Catholic Charities by phone at 941-488-5581 or by email at suarez@dioceseofvenice.org
We believe in order to pray and pray in order to believe (cf. USCCA, 491). The conviction that what we pray and what we believe is to be written on the heart is profoundly biblical. The most powerful proclamation of faith in the book of Deuteronomy would not be possible if it did not come from the heart. "Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD alone! Therefore, you shall love the LORD, your God, with your whole heart, and with your whole being, and with your whole strength. Take to heart these words which I command you today" (Dt 6:4-6). The spirit of such relationship between humanity and the one God is echoed in many ways throughout Scripture. God's covenant with the people of Israel is neither trivial nor optional. It is permanent, because it has been written on the heart. "But this is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after those days—oracle of the LORD. I will place my law within them, and write it upon their hearts; I will be their God, and they shall be my people" (Jer 31:33). Fidelity is only possible when God's commandments are truly imprinted on our hearts. "Keep my commands and live, and my teaching as the apple of your eye. Bind them on your fingers, write them on the tablet of your heart" (Prv 7:2-3).

There is a unique relationship between the truthfulness of what we believe and our prayer lives. Just as with the example of the Our Father, we embrace all that we know about God as true in light of the relationship of loving trust to which we have been invited, particularly through Jesus Christ. Therefore, we pray. Through prayer we enter into the vast depths of the divine mystery, guided by the Spirit. Therefore, we believe.

Yet, rote memorization alone is not enough to inspire prayer and commitment. What we learn by memory must also be written upon our hearts. In other words, the prayers, formulas, doctrines, and texts that we confide to memory must touch every fiber of our beings. "In the biblical or Semitic mind, the heart is beyond the grasp of reason and deeper than our psychic drives. It is the very center of our selves, the mysterious place where we make our fundamental decisions. It is the ground of encounter with God" (USCCA, 491). Our most transforming encounters with the God of Revelation through prayer happen at the level of the heart. In fact, "it is the heart that prays. If our heart is far from God, the words of prayer are in vain" (CCC, no. 2562). Such encounters are possible because the Holy Spirit, who inhabits our hearts, allows us to call God "Abba, Father" (Rom 8:15), and Jesus Christ "the Lord" (1 Cor 12:3).

Praying from the heart does not dismiss the value of memory, even when it is rote: quite the contrary. It takes what we initially entrusted to memorization, from the basics of the faith to sophisticated theological reflections, and turns it into what Pope Francis calls a "grateful remembrance" (Evangelii Gaudium [EG], no.13) The believer is “one who remembers” (EG no. 13); to be more exact, one who remembers gratefully. The heart is moved in thanksgiving for God's Revelation; for being able to partake of the gift of truth amidst our limitations; for the people who shared the faith with us; for God's Word, the Sacraments, and the Church; for the world as a whole, as the context in which we encounter the divine every day. The joy of evangelizing is rooted in and fueled by grateful remembrance (cf. Evangelii Gaudium, no. 13).

If prayer is intimately related to the core convictions of our Catholic faith and how we remember those convictions, we are invited today to pray from the heart as grateful disciples of Jesus Christ.
Adult Faith Formation Opportunity

HOW ARE YOU?
ARE YOU LOOKING FOR MORE?
Come and See!

Just as the body’s immune system is strengthened by proper care (diet, exercise, handling stress, taking supplements), our spiritual wellness relies on balance and harmony. Without that balance we can find ourselves settling for less and striving for more.

Spiritual wellness enables us to find “the more” that we seek.
Join us Wednesdays 7:00pm - 8:30pm, Oct. 12 thru Nov. 23
Call - 481-7172 to register
Book is available for $10.00

1) Always show your family a joyful you. Nothing is so depressing as a father or mother out of sorts.
2) Never weary in cheering your family with your smile. One smile from you will brighten them up and let their spirits expand. Give them the gift of a smile, hard though it be at times.
3) Amiably show the greatest interest in the smallest things. Everything that concerns those we love most in this world should be worthy of interest: the baby’s first tooth, the honor ribbon won at school, the 99th picture your daughter drew of a flower. It is in acknowledging the small things that you encourage them to go out and do bigger things.
4) Do not be overly severe or stark in the name of “religion.” If your home is Christian and each member of the family is learning to carry his cross, then it is essential to avoid making others suffer by too much austerity. Better to devote oneself to procuring joy for others.
5) Be sure to treat all alike. Nothing is so disrupting to home life as favoritism for one child over another. The same measure for all!
6) Do whatever it takes to propagate a joyous spirit in the home. Henry the Fourth of France used to crawl around on all fours, with his children on his back, to enliven the family get-together. The son of a famous French playwright relates, “My father was never so happy as when he was free to spend a few days with us. Even in the presence of strangers, he dared to be a father; he belonged to all our games.”
7) Never begin an argument. Open discussion is a good thing, until it develops into bickering. A free exchange of ideas is always profitable; the children should even be encouraged to join in. It will develop in them a wise and discriminating mind and a habit of suspended judgment.
8) Be discerning in your choice of topics. What can be shared, speak of it openly. If something must not be told, then don’t tell it. Do not spoil their innocence with the discussion of unsavory and disturbing subjects.
9) Always act patiently and answer graciously. This is no small task. That it takes the “patience of an angel” to rule vigilantly over the little world of the family is beyond question. A kind and gracious spirit is essential.
10) Loving much is the key to gain all. By good will, you will gain the hearts and souls of the members of your family without exception.

These 10 secrets to joyful parenting are not easy steps, by any means. But with frequent recourse to the sacraments – especially confession and Holy Communion – you will achieve what so many others only hope for.

From “America Needs Fatima”
www.americaneedsfatima.org

Adapted from Father Raoul Plus, S.J. article

“I can do all things through Christ Who strengthens me.” (Phil. 4:13)
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