**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](http://www.resurrectionch.org)

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**November 19, 2017
Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**SHARING OUR GIFTS**

Autumn is the season for harvesting and sharing the fruits of our labors. This week’s scriptures use images of the harvest, family life, pregnancy, and investment to describe the abundant harvest in the reign of God. We discover that sharing the gifts we have been given brings eternal rewards for everyone.

In the Gospel parable a master entrusts his possessions to three servants before going on a journey. Each is given some talents. What they do with those talents determines what the master will do with them when he returns. How about us? What are we doing with our talents? How will our Master treat us when he returns?

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Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 19, 2017
Blessed are you who fear the LORD. — Psalm 128:1a

Mass Schedule

SAT.  NOV 18 - VIGIL MASS
3:30  ♥†Living & Deceased Mbrs of Resurrection Men’s Club

SUN.  NOV 19 -
7:30  ♥†People of the Parish
9:00  ♥Viola Napoli by Hooven Family
10:30 ♥Joan Rohn by Mercedes Lima
1:15  Latin Mass

MON.  NOV 20 -
8:00  ♥ Kandaleck Family by Daughter

TUE.  NOV 21 -
8:00  ♥Poor Souls

WED.  NOV 22 -
8:00  ♥Bob Schneider by Bob & Judy Didelot

THU.  NOV 23 -
8:00  ♥Mary Schneider by Kathy Kay

FRI.  NOV 24 -
8:00  ♥Julia Russell by Family

SAT.  NOV 25 -
8:00  ♥For a Greater Respect For Life

SAT.  NOV 25 - VIGIL MASS
3:30  ♥Betty Roach by Cathy & Andy Wilson

SUN.  NOV 26 -
7:30  ♥†People of the Parish
9:00  ♥Helen & Frank Savino by Judi & Frank Savino, Jr.
10:30 ♥Bruce Tischler by Wife Mariann & Son Bryan
1:15  Latin Mass

CONFESSIONS - Saturdays 2:15-3:15 or 15 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 Charlotte Keyes, Carol Nelson.

RESURRECTION  PRAYER LINE MINISTRY
For prayer requests or to sign up as a volunteer call: 481-1170.

PRAYERS FOR PRIESTS -
Please join us every Thursday after the 8:00 Mass to pray for priests.

GIFT SHOP HOURS:
Thurs. 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.
Sat: 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.  Sun: 8:10 - 11:45 a.m.
and also open between morning Masses.
CLOSED DURING Masses

Background on the Gospel Reading
This week’s Gospel speaks of how Jesus’ disciples are to conduct themselves as they await the Kingdom of Heaven. In the preceding passages and in last week’s Gospel, Jesus taught that there is no way to predict the coming of the Kingdom of Heaven. His disciples must, therefore, remain vigilant and ready to receive the Son of Man at any time.

Jesus’ parable talks about Christian discipleship using economic metaphors. Before he leaves on a journey, the master entrusts to his servants a different number of talents, giving to each according to their abilities. A talent is a coin of great value. Upon the master’s return, he finds that the first and second servants have doubled their money, and both are rewarded. The third servant, however, has only preserved what was given to him because he was afraid to lose the money. He has risked nothing; he did not even deposit the money in a bank to earn interest. This servant is punished by the master, and his talent is given to the one who brought the greatest return.

Read in light of last week’s parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids, this parable teaches that God’s judgment will be based on the service we render to God and to one another in accordance with the gifts that God has given to us. Our gifts, or talents, are given to us for the service of others. If we fail to use these gifts, God’s judgment on us will be severe. On the other hand, if we make use of these gifts in service to the Kingdom of Heaven, we will be rewarded and entrusted with even more responsibilities.

This Gospel reminds us that Christian spirituality is not passive or inactive. Our life of prayer helps us to discern the gifts that have been given to us by God. This prayer and discernment ought to lead us to use our gifts in the service of God and our neighbor. God’s grace allows us to share in the work of serving the Kingdom of Heaven.

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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**, Mondays, 10:00 a.m. For more information call Alouise 481-8168
- **Craft Club**, Tuesdays, 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.
- **Men's Club**, 2nd Monday of month, 7:00 p.m., Sept. - May
- **Men's Gospel Forum**, Fridays 8:30 a.m.
- **Our Lady of Miraculous Medal Novena**, Saturdays after the 8:00 a.m. Mass, church
- **Prayer for Priests**, Thursdays after the 8:00 a.m. Mass, chapel
- **RCIA**, Sundays, after the 9:00 a.m. Mass, for info, 482-6883
- **Rel. Ed.**, September - May
- **Resurrection for Life**, for info, call Judy at 287-1237
- **Rosary**, before daily Masses and Tues. & Thurs., 1:30 p.m., chapel
- **Rosary Makers**, 3rd Thursdays Oct. thru May, 9-11 a.m.
- **St. Vincent DePaul Board Meeting**, 1st Tues. every month, 7:00 p.m. 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, 8:30 a.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
November 12, 2017
Offertory: $29,421.00
Mission Cooperative/St. Francis Mission: $12,795.00
SVDP: $424.00
Latin: $555.00

2017 CATHOLIC FAITH APPEAL
Our assessment for this year is $366,000.00
Payments made thus far Total: $350,698.29
We still need $15,301.71 to pay our assessment.

Thank you for your loyal support of this annual assessment!

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COLLECTION
Letter from Bishop Dewane -
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The realities of poverty weigh heavily on many of the Faithful in dioceses across the United States. The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) is an anti-poverty program that empowers those on the margins of society to help bring about change in their communities. CCHD supports programs that heal the wounds of crime and violence, advocate for more just policies and helps to develop strong neighborhoods.

Many children in cities live in poverty, creating undue stress and uncertainty in their lives. Compounding these problems, often there are deteriorating school systems struggling to provide quality education and appropriate discipline, consequently, there is a high rate of school-based arrests. By engaging city Churches and communities in these areas, programs supported by CCHD help to improve the education systems and keep kids in school and out of the juvenile justice system. With your support of the CCHD Collection, and through community engagement, youth violence and arrests are significantly reduced.

The Collection for CCHD will be taken up in the Diocese of Venice the weekend of November 18 and 19, 2017. Please help to defend human dignity and show Christ's charity to those in need by supporting the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Also know that 25 percent of the Collection's proceeds remain in our Diocese to fight poverty here. Thank you!

I take this opportunity to extend to each of you the assurances of my continued consideration as well as my prayers.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+Frank J. Dewane
Bishop of the Diocese of Venice, Florida
This week’s Sanctuary Candle:
for **Sheila Wilson**
by Nancy & Bill Gurry

**Altar Flowers This Week:**

*In Loving Memory of:*
**Don & Betty Miller**
by Daughter Kathleen Bender

*In Loving Memory of:*
**Mary & Joseph Pasko**
by Joan & Brian Anzelone

A society is best judged by how it treats its most vulnerable members.

~ Anonymous

We cannot diminish the value of one category of human life - the unborn - without diminishing the value of all human life.

~ Ronald Regan, former U.S. President

**Coffee & Donuts** -
Please join us in the Parish Center after the 10:30 Mass for coffee, donuts and fellowship. All are welcome!

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**
Volunteers are needed in the Gift Shop for all shifts.
Please call 239-481-7171 and leave a message for Gaye for more details.

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**Resurrection for Life**

**Novena of Masses for Life**

Celebrate Mass on the 25th of each month from the Annunciation to Christmas for a greater respect for all human life.

See the schedule of Masses throughout the Diocese of Venice at www.dioceseofvenice.org/respectlife.

Diocese of Venice Respect Life
1000 Pinebrook Road
Venice, FL 34295
941-441-1101

Please join us here at Resurrection Parish for a special Mass for “A Greater Respect for Life”

**November 25, 2017 at 8:00 a.m.**

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for November -
That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions.

“A Nation That Kills Its Own Children Is a Nation Without Hope.” ~ Pope John Paul II

RESURRECTION FOR LIFE

PLEASE JOIN US AT THE ABORTION CLINIC AT 3900 BROADWAY, FORT MYERS EVERY 2ND SATURDAY (after the 8:00 Mass) FOR THE ROSARY.
WE ARE CALLED
THE UNIVERSAL CALL TO HOLINESS:

"WE ALL HAVE A VOCATION. WE MUST BELIEVE THAT GOD HAS CALLED EACH OF US TO FULFILL A MISSION THAT NO ONE ELSE CAN ACCOMPLISH."

—ST. FRANCIS DE SALES

JOIN US FOR A PARISH MISSION DEC. 3–6
WITH PRESENTER FR. CHRIS BERETTA, O.S.F.S.
ALL ARE WELCOME!

Morning Mission:
Dec. 4, 5, 6: 8:00-10:00 A.M.
Mass/Conference/Confession
Or
Evening Mission:
Dec. 3, 4, 5: 6:00-8:00 P.M.
Mass/Conference/Confession
(Childcare available during evening mission - ages three and up.
Must RSVP 482-6883).

Rev. J. Christian Beretta, O.S.F.S., Oblate of St. Francis de Sales, was stationed at Bishop Verot High School from 1999-2010. He is currently serving as principal at Salesianum School in Delaware. Fr. Beretta holds master degrees in Divinity from the De Sales School of Theology, in Kinesiology-Sport Psychology from University of Maryland, and in Educational Administration from the University of Notre Dame. He is currently working on a doctorate in Educational Leadership at the University of Pennsylvania.
Annual Christmas Angels

This week starts our annual Christmas Angels’ Project to help families in need. Angels are available at all the entrances of the Church and the Parish Hall Lobby. Please visit one of the trees and select an angel. The gifts need to be wrapped and returned with the Angel securely attached to the package. Please return to the Church or Parish Center no later than December 3rd. On behalf of all the wonderful children that will benefit from your generosity, we thank you very much.
~Resurrection Youth Ministry

Babysitting Bonanza

Friday, December 8, 5:30 pm – 9:00 pm
Calling all parents with young children.... plan a quiet date night or get a jump start on your Christmas shopping!

$15 for one child; $25 for 2; $35 for 3 or more

YOUTH MINISTRY will be providing babysitting in the Parish Center for children through 5th grade! Christmas movie, dinner, crafts, stories, games, just a lot of fun, fun, fun!

CALL OR STOP IN TO REGISTER AND SECURE YOUR CHILD’S SPOT...
SPACE IS LIMITED!
Any questions? Contact Vikki with Youth Ministry @ 481-5144
2017 DIOCESE OF VENICE
ANNUAL YOUTH RALLY...

Inspiring Guest Speakers and an awesome band!

Mass with Archbishop Christophe Pierre, Apostolic Nuncio to the US and Bishop Dwayne

Adoration

Over 2000 teens from all over our Diocese came together for a fun, faith-filled day at the Charlotte Harbor Event Center. Each year it gets bigger and better!

Lighthouse Catholic Media Kiosk

Check out our newest CD’s, DVD’s, Books and Pamphlets at the front entrance of the church.

It’s a great way to increase your knowledge and understanding of our beautiful Catholic Faith.

BIBLE STUDY
Resurrection Parish Center
WEDNESDAY Mornings
10:00AM – 11:30AM

ALL ARE WELCOME
Connecting the Scriptures To Life Experiences

Inviting GOD into Your Life
Praying with Sacred Space
Relating to others as JESUS Would...

PRAY...REFLECT...ACT
ALL ARE WELCOME...
JOIN US MONDAY NIGHTS
NOV. 20, 27 - DEC. 11, 18
“Put on the mind of Christ”
7:00 pm - 8:30pm Resurrection Parish Center

PHILIPPIANS

Life in Christ

Saint Paul exhorts the Christians at Philippi to have the mind of Christ. But to what exactly is he referring? Join Dr. Tim Gray as he opens up this heartfelt correspondence. Learn the key to Christian friendship. Learn how Paul is able to rejoice in the midst of suffering. Learn from the Philippians how to become partners in the Gospel. Discover what it means to share in the citizenship of Heaven. Glory with Saint Paul as his eloquent hymn reveals the mind of Christ.

Featuring the insightful biblical teaching of Dr. Tim Gray and the hallmark artistry of the Augustine Institute, this dynamic video series explores the power and joy of life in Jesus Christ and the partnership to which we are called in sharing the Gospel—in the early Church and today.

RSVP: 481-7172 - Joanne MacPeek
Sign up for dessert to share!

JOIN US FOR LUNCH & BOOK CLUB DISCUSSION

2ND FRIDAYS OF DECEMBER, JANUARY, FEBRUARY, MARCH

Reserve your lunch for $10.00 - Call: 481-7172

December 8 @ NOON - Join us in Conference Room
Parish Center for Lunch & Conversation

December book: “A Fierce Radiance”
by Lauren Belfer

“Enthralling. A Fierce Radiance shines with fascinating detail.... Belfer’s powerful portrayal of how people are changed in pursuit of a miracle makes this book an especially compelling read.” Set during the uncertain early days of World War II, this suspenseful story from the New York Times bestselling author of City of Light follows the work of photojournalist Claire Shipley as she captures America’s race to develop life-saving antibiotics—an assignment that will involve blackmail, espionage, and murder.

NEW PARISHIONER ORIENTATION
ALL ARE WELCOME
SUNDAY, November 19
AFTER 10:30 am Mass in Parish Center
COME FOR DONUTS!!!!!

AS A PEOPLE BORN ANEW TO A LIFE OF HOPE!
We come to share our story, we come to break the bread...
We come to discover new light in each other.
We are called to heal the broken, to be hope for the poor, to feed the hungry!
Come discover how this is happening!

100 + New Parishioners have Registered since February, 2017
Please come! Meet each other! Discover what is happening!
Meet a member from the Men’s Club, Women’s Guild, Lectors, Ushers, Faith Formation, Bereavement.
Phone Calls & Email Invites are being sent...
If you are new and didn’t get an invite...Call Us! We want to Welcome You!
We would like to invite all who are new to the parish to join our “old time parishioners” for donuts!

RSVP: 481-7172

“Journey to Jesus Through Mary”
 Marian Consecration Retreat
Join us for a small group retreat in the structure of 33 Days To Morning Glory, by Fr. Michael Gaitley. Learn how the Blessed Mother is the quickest way to grow in holiness and love for the heart of Jesus!
When: Tuesdays, Nov. 21, 28, Dec. 5, 12, 19
Time: 11:00 A.M.
Where: Parish Hall Conference Room
RSVP: deanna@resurrectionch.org or 482-6883 by Monday, November 21st and bring a friend!

Congratulations to Walter and Lorraine Roberts on the occasion of their 69th Wedding Anniversary!!

May God bless you today and every day.
SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION
OF OUR LORD

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING COLLECTION

Our Society of St. Vincent dePaul Conference exists solely on the generosity of the members of our Parish.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who faithfully contribute to the Poor Boxes and the Blue Envelopes, which are located at the entrances of the church.

The statistics for the last twelve months are:

• Within our Parish and St. Vincent DePaul boundaries: $101,888.00 in the form of food, utilities, medical and rent assistance was given.
• Domestic Twinning: $2,000.00 (Twinning is the sharing of friendship, prayers and material resources with another St. Vincent DePaul Conference less fortunate than ours which is in dire need of assistance.)
• International Twinning: $1,000.00 (Haitian families recovery initiatives).
• Disaster Contributions: $1,300.00 (Texas, Louisiana & Florida flood victims, National Disaster Fund).

We have but one special collection on Thanksgiving Day.

We are asking you to please be generous during Thanksgiving’s collection. In addition, we remind you to please use the Blue Envelopes at the Poor Boxes, as they are the Bread Boxes of the Poor. Remember that your donations are tax deductible.

Our gift to you? We pray for you always and we have special Masses for you during the year.

May the Good Lord bless all of you for your continued support.
~Your Society of St. Vincent dePaul

“Whatever you do for the least of My brethren, You do unto Me”

~ Matthew 25:40
Celebrating Thanksgiving

A Prayer of Thanksgiving

We are gathered here as Your family, Oh Lord.
As a family of faith and love,
we give You thanks.
As Your guests at the table of life,
we are grateful that You have set a place for us.
As Your children,
we strive to follow You in all we do.
As servants to Your will,
we acknowledge the gift of Your understanding and mercy.
As Your stewards,
we are filled with wonder in the presence of Your mighty deeds
and accept our responsibilities in Your service.
As Your heirs,
we are humbled by the bounty You have given us,
for each beat of our heart and each breath that we draw,
is ours only through Your grace.

And, as Your family, we shout Your name
and give You all glory and honor, praise and thanks.

Amen.