# Resurrection **Parish**



March 3, 2024, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent



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# 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

#### MASS SCHEDULE

St. John Capistran Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:00 am

Weekdays: 8:30 am

Confessions: Saturday 4:00-4:45 pm

St. Thomas More Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:30 am & 11:30 am Weekdays & Saturday: 11:30 am Wednesday: 8:45 am (school Mass) Confessions: Saturday 9:00-10:00 am

# PARISH COMMUNITY

# **READINGS**



Please welcome our New Parishioners:

**Bill & Judy Peters** Theresa Manuel Katie Michenko Juliann Dilorio The Clark Family

May they feel the warmth of Christ in our Parish Community.

To our parishioners and visitors, our friends, neighbors, Catholics and non-Catholics: We're so glad you are here! If you have any questions about the Mass, church membership, or want to speak with a priest, please call one of the parish offices.



Recently welcomed into our Christian Community through Baptism:

Santino Jacob Atkinson, son of Jacob & Teresa Atkinson

Please pray for our newly baptized, their Parents & Godparents.

# Rest in Peace

Pray for our recently deceased:

Paul E. Lego Valerie Taylor **Martha Bosley** 

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Please keep their loved ones in prayer.

#### DAILY READINGS

Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11

(Jn 6:68c)/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25

Scrutiny: Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/

Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3,4/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/

Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/Eph 2:4-10/

> Jn 3:14-21 Scrutiny: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38



#### **Lenten Weekday Masses**

Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m. St. John Capistran Monday-Saturday: 11:30 a.m. St. Thomas More

#### **Holy Thursday Seven-Church Tour**

Following Mass on Holy Thursday, our parish will continue the tradition of visiting seven churches. This practice traces back to St. Philip Neri in the 16<sup>th</sup> century and allows time to reflect on the seven final places Jesus went from his arrest on Holy Thursday to his death on Good Friday (source, Catholic News Agency). We will leave from the St. Thomas More parking lot (parish office side) after Mass, and return by Midnight.

Space will be limited. Details & information posted soon.

#### **Reconciliation (Confession)**

Saturdays: 9:00-10:00 a.m. St. Thomas More Saturdays: 4:00-4:45 p.m. St. John Capistran

We are pleased to offer additional opportunities for Confession on all Wednesdays of Lent, except for Holy Week

Wednesdays: 6:00-7:00 p.m. St. John Capistran

#### "The Light is on for You"

### Wednesday, March 6

Diocesan-wide Confessions 6:00-8:00 p.m. at both SJC & STM

#### **Holy Week Confessions**

Mon., March 25, Tue., March 26, Wed., March 27 Noon-1:00 p.m. at St. Thomas More

Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

Joel 2: 12-13

## REFLECTION

Pastor's Letter

On our Pastor's Letter page, we will periodically have articles submitted by various staff members to the parish.

# Greetings!

I would like to take a moment to recognize those who make our Resurrection Parish Fish Fry happen each week. Our Volunteers! Many people might not be aware of all that goes into prepping each week for Fish Fry. We have a dedicated group of volunteers that spend a full afternoon each week preparing our wonderful homemade mac & cheese. Every Thursday before the Fish Fry is filled with volunteers preparing condiments, dressing the cod loins for baking, mixing beverages, washing potatoes, mixing coleslaw, and hand-breading 500-600 cod filets! Outside the kitchen, we have volunteers checking the pre-orders, making phone calls to ensure that orders are correct, and opening takeout bags so that they can be filled as quickly as possible! On Fridays, our dedicated helpers begin arriving around 1:00 p.m. They do everything from set up tables and plating desserts to putting out placemats and cooking! These folks spend innumerable hours working to make our Fish Fry a success! If you see a Fish Fry volunteer, please be sure to thank them. We could not have a top-notch Fish Fry without them!!!

For those who looking to enjoy our Fish Fry, it is every Friday during Lent, except Good Friday, 4:30-7:00 p.m. Our Dine-In Fish Fry is located in the St. Thomas More Family Life Center. Save time for dine-in or takeout by ordering in advance online. Online ordering is open each week from Saturday morning through 2:00 p.m. on Thursday. Curbside pickup for all takeout orders (including online) is at the Ave Maria Academy parking lot. If you miss ordering online, you can drive up at the Ave Maria Academy entrance to order takeout. *Please note that there is a limited menu available for drive-up orders if you do not order online in advance.* 

Each year during Fish Fry, we try to have a few dine-in specials for everyone to enjoy. A special thank you to our own quintessential Italian chef, Lucia Facco, who prepared the delicious cheese lasagna served this past week!! And thank you to Jim Shea for adding his musical talent while we dined. Be sure to mark your calendars for March 15<sup>th</sup> when we will serve delectable Eggplant Parmesan from Franco's Trattoria (dine-in only). On that same Friday, we celebrate St. Patrick's Day and will welcome back Jim Shea and friends to entertain us with Irish music.

There are just three fish frys left this Lent! We hope to see you at these wonderful parish events for a good meal and time to build our parish community.

God bless, Bridget Graves Events and Development Coordinator Join Us for Dinner...

March 8, 15 & 22

4:30-7:00 p.m.

#### **Adult Lenten Speaker Series**

Resurrection Parish will offer a four-week Lenten Speaker Series on a range of topics, featuring our own parishioners and clergy.

Wednesdays, 7:00-8:15 p.m., SJC, Capsitran Hall

Lenten Speaker Series Schedule:

#### March 13

Fr. Jim Chepponis, "Understanding the Mass"

March 20

Dr. James Swindal, "The Eucharist as Our Bread of Life"

\*Preregistration is not required.

\*We hope to see you there for these enriching opportunities for adult faith formation.

#### **Lenten Recollection**

Join Dcn. John Ferguson and Sem. Matt Selzer as they lead an opportunity to share a simple meal, catechesis, and silent prayer during the solemn season of Lent.

#### Tuesday, March 26

6:00-8:00 p.m., STM, Family Life Center Registration requested only if you plan to attend the meal. resurrectionpgh.org/lenten-recollections



# MASS INTENTIONS

#### Sunday, March 3, 2024, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

STM 8:00 am John C. Fisher by AMA BP Teachers

SJC 9:00 am Dominic Ali by Judith Molseed

STM 9:30 am Caroline & Vincent J. Corvino

by Valerie Corvino, Daughter

SJC 11:00 am Florence Kenny by Richard & Ellen Whitman

STM 11:30 am Ann Rodgers by Daughter

#### Monday, March 4, St. Casimir

SJC 8:30 am Michael Geraci by M.T. Geraci

STM 11:30 am Charles & Margaret O'Connel

by John & Peggy Babnik

#### Tuesday, March 5

SJC 8:30 am Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of Marco Buzzard

by Family

STM 11:30 am Domenic & Fortuna Stracci by Carmena Stracci

#### Wednesday, March 6

SJC 8:30 am Joseph & Julia Toth by Joan & Richard Toth

**STM** 8:45 am Rykaczewski Family

by Karl & Maureen Rykaczewski

STM 11:30 am Leo Kane by Marge Kane, Wife

#### Thursday, March 7, Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs

SJC 8:30 am Marcella Costantino

by Brennan-Webster Families

STM 11:30 am Deceased Members of Jacob A. Meyer Family

by Mr. & Mrs. Robert E. Kenny

#### Friday, March 8, St. John of God, Religious

SJC 8:30 am Shirley Love by Friend

STM 11:30 am Gino Pasquarelli by Georgia Hardwick

#### Saturday, March 9,

St. Frances of Rome, Religious; St. Catherine of Bologna

STM 11:30 am Pauline Casile by Sally Daley & Bill Casile

#### Saturday, March 9, Vigil Masses

STM 4:00 pm Andres Gutierrez by Fera Family

SJC 5:00 pm Madeline Hrabik by Ann & Joe Hrabik

#### Sunday, March 10, 2024, 4th Sunday of Lent

**STM** 8:00 am For the Parishioners

SJC 9:00 am William Lorigan by George & Kellie Banky

**STM** 9:30 am Gene Musial by Larry Mortimer

SJC 11:00 am Robert "Buzz" Wagner by Nancy & Bob Pagano

STM 11:30 am Weissert Family by Family



The Sanctuary candle at STM is lit this week In Celebration of the Wedding Anniversary of William & Nancy Stephan

# **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

# Lamb of God Chapel at St. Thomas More Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration 24/6



- Open Sunday after 11:30am Mass to Saturday before 4:00pm Mass

- Vianney Cenacle, 12:00pm Saturdays: Holy Hour for the Sanctification of Priests

- Rosary at 12:00pm weekdays and during Cenacle

- Chaplet of Divine Mercy 3:00pm daily

- Children's Hour, Tuesday 10:00am: Nursery & Chapel

- Nocturnal Adoration, 10:00pm to 6:00am (scheduled adorers)

Questions: stm@adorationmanager.com www.resurrectionpgh.org/adoration

#### A Glimpse of Eternal Life

In eternal life, we will be outside of time because we will be in the presence of God - infinite, perfect and unchanging, and we can experience a bit of that holy eternity here on earth when we adore the Blessed Sacrament. In adoration we look at the monstrance and see what looks like an ordinary piece of bread surrounded by golden rays, but through faith, we know that this bread is actually Almighty God. It is a glimpse of eternal life.

It is easy to get caught up in the busyness and grind of life. In this vale of tears, we try and fill our desires with material things that don't last. In the course of these worldly pursuits, God's presence can slowly slip away. A restlessness or jadedness about life ensues because we aren't as happy as we thought we would be.

By nurturing our spiritual lives through regular prayer and adoration, we can begin to contemplate more deeply the love that the Lord has for each of us. In this way, we can deepen our personal relationships with him and be better witnesses to our faith, stirring up within our hearts a longing for our true end: gazing on him in eternal life. - Anselm Kelly, O.P on Christian Communion & Pope Benedict XVI, Dominicana Vol. LXVI

Chapel openings: Thursday 3PM
Second adorers needed Friday 1PM &
Saturday 3PM (shortened hour before Mass),
Or choose any hour 24/6 that works in your schedule!
www.resurrectionpgh.org/adoration

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING MINISTRY MEETINGS

#### Sunday, March 3, 2024

9:00am RCIA (Reardon Room) | RCIC (SJC Library) 9:15am Religious Education Classes (STM Classrooms) 7:00pm Men's Emmaus Retreat Team (Rooney Room)

#### Monday, March 4, 2024

Project Linus (Capistran Hall) 9:00am

10:00am Bible Study with Jo Ann Paradise (Reardon Room)

King's Singers Rehearsal (STM Church) 4:30pm

6:00pm Joyful Noise Ringers Rehearsal (STM Church)

7:00pm RCIA (Parish Library at STM)

7:00pm St. Vincent de Paul (Martin home)

7:00pm Lenten Book Study (online)

#### Tuesday, March 5, 2024

6:00am More's Men (Rooney Room & Online) 9:30am Lectionary Study Group (Rooney Room)

9:30am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (SJC Atriums)

10:00am Childcare/Children's Adoration Hour (Ch.Care/LOG Chapel)

4:30pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (SJC Atriums)

6:00pm Resounding Grace Ringers Rehearsal (STM Church)

7:00pm Pastoral Council (Utopia)

Living Spirit Choir Rehearsal (SJC Church) 7:30pm

#### Wednesday, March 6, 2024

Liturgy of the Hours (SJC Church) 8:00am 9:30am Two's Together (Childcare Room)

5:30pm Religious Education Classes (AMA Classrooms) 6:00pm Light is on for You Lenten Confessions (SJC & STM)

7:00pm Men's Fellowship Group (Capistran Hall)

#### Thursday, March 7, 2024

8:00am Liturgy of the Hours (SJC Church) 10:30am Prayer Shawl Ministry (Rooney Room) 2:30pm Fish Fry Preparation (AMA Café/Kitchen)

4:30pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (SJC Atriums)

7:00pm Canticle Choir Rehearsal (STM Church)

#### Friday, March 8, 2024

Liturgy of the Hours (SJC Church) 8:00am Stations of the Cross (STM Church) 4:00pm

4:30pm Fish Fry (FLC & AMA lot)

Stations of the Cross (SJC Church) 7:30pm

#### Saturday, March 9, 2024

9:00am Reconciliation (STM Church)

4:00pm Red Door Ministry Collection after Mass (STM & SJC)

4:00pm Reconciliation (SJC Church)

5:00pm Rite of Election Mass (SJC Church)

6:00pm Parish Lenten Meager Meal (Capistran Hall)

> Attention: The parish office will close at 3:00 p.m. on Fridays during Lent.



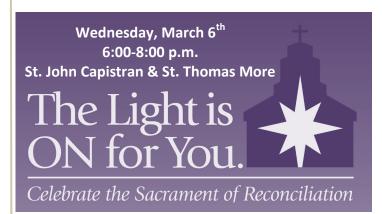
Jesus - a Revolutionary Biography Lent ZOOM Bible Study – you are invited!

Monday evenings, March. 4, 11, 18, 25 7:00 to 8:15 p.m.

The Lectionary Study Group (Tuesday mornings at STM) is offering a special online book study for Lent: Jesus - A Revolutionary Biography by John Dominic Crossan. Crossan is professor emeritus at DePaul University. The author of several books, he is a highly regarded New Testament scholar and a leading authority on the historical Jesus. The book is readily available through Amazon or Kindle.

Contact Tom Anderson, 1799tca@gmail.com, for the Zoom link. If you have any questions regarding the book or our sessions, please contact Geoff at 412-848-8329 or geoff.schnieder@gmail.com.

An opportunity to study God's Word: We will gather on Monday, March 4th from 10:00 a.m. - Noon in the Reardon Room to discuss the document The Word of God in the Life of the Church; then explore the Gospel of Mark, verse by verse. Join us in person or on Zoom. Contact Vera Park at parkmont1293@gmail.com for the Zoom link.



#### **RESURRECTION PARISH LADIES OF CHARITY** LADIES OF

#### **MONTHLY MEETING**

Capistran Hall

Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.



For more information about the Ladies of Charity contact us at resparloc@gmail.com.



The Splendid and the Vile by Erik Larson is the selected book for the March 11<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Resurrection Book Discussion Group. It's subtitle is "A Saga of Churchill, Family and Defiance During the Blitz". It examines how Churchill and his

"Secret Circle" went about surviving the German air campaign of 1940-1941. The book also gives evidence of how Churchill rallied the British people to bravery and a conviction of ultimate victory. Meetings are held in the Utopia Room of the STM Family Life Center from 10:00 a.m. until noon the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month. All are welcome.

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# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**



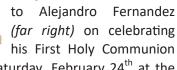
Congratulations to all of the children from the parish that celebrated the sacrament of First Reconciliation last week! May you always know God's healing love and mercy!

Thank you to the many people who helped us to ank celebrate First Reconciliation: Fr. Mike Ackerman, Fr. Jim Chepponis, Fr. Ken White and Fr. James

Torquato; Deacon Joe Kralik and Deacon Russ White; our second grade faith formation catechists, Kate Clark, Beth Kovalcik, Tina Florkowski, Mandy Florkowski, and Dawn Mostowy and their aides; our CGS catechists, Mary Fay, Paulette Godla and Karen McElhaney; and our Ave Maria Academy teachers, Terry Farnsworth and Carrie Gallagher; our associate music minister, Jon Runion, and cantors, Debbie Zugates and Meighan Harding; Jennifer O'Rourke, and Susan Young from the Religious Education Office, our first grade families for hosting the cookie receptions; our Confirmation Candidates & everyone else who helped to make each celebration so special. We couldn't have done it without all of you - thank you!

Eighth Grade Rite of Election: The Rite of Election for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation Candidates will be at the 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. John Capistran Church on Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, and at the 11:30 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas More Church on Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. Candidates for Confirmation are to attend the Rite of Election Mass that they signed up for in advance, and are to bring their signed Letter of Intention to present to Fr. Mike. Please join us in supporting our Candidates at these Masses and remember them in your prayers as they journey toward their full initiation.

#### **Congratulations**



last Saturday, February 24<sup>th</sup> at the 4:00 p.m. Mass at St. Thomas More church, and to Connor Denk on celebrating his First Reconciliation on Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, also at St. Thomas More. May God bless you both as you continue to journey toward your full initiation!



#### O.C.I.A. and O.C.I.C. News WHAT ARE THE SCRUTINIES (and why are they done)?



Soon those in the O.C.I.A. and the O.C.I.C. programs (formerly called R.C.I.A. and R.C.I.C.) will be confirmed and accepted into full communion with the Roman Catholic Church. Both

programs have "Catechumens", who are those who have never been baptized, and "Candidates", who are those that have been baptized. Baptism is so important that the Church has the Catechumens prepare for their upcoming confirmation by participating in Rites called "Scrutinies." The Candidates, who have already been baptized, do not participate formally in the Rite. Scrutinies have been a part of Catholicism since the very early days of the Church. The term "scrutiny", as used here, refers to seeing clearly and looking closely to turn away from sin and being healed through Christ.

There are three Scrutinies and they take place during Mass on the third, fourth and fifth Sundays of Lent. Different Gospel readings are assigned for each Sunday. For the first Sunday, we have a reading from John 4:5-42 which tells the story of Jesus encountering the woman at the well. On the second Sunday, the reading is from John 9:1-41 in which Jesus heals the man born blind. During the third Sunday, we hear John 11: 1-45 which is the story of the raising of Lazarus from the dead. The Catechumens come forward with their sponsors and special prayers are said. While the congregation is watching and praying, those in the pews are encouraged to pray not only for the Catechumens, but also for their own continuing conversions.

This is a beautiful Rite and we ask for prayers for the Catechumens and also the Candidates as they continue their journey toward confirmation at the Easter Vigil.

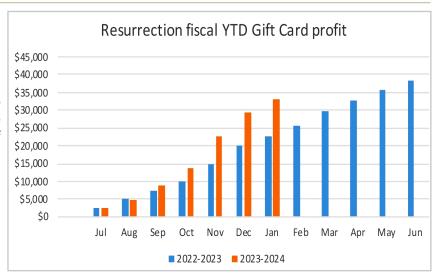


# AROUND OUR PARISH

# **Finance Feature**

# The GIFT CARD PROGRAM UPDATE AS OF JANUARY 31, 2024

Gift card sales and profit continue to increase as shown on the year to date bar graph. The 23-24 fiscal year to date profit through January 2024 of approximately \$33,000 exceeds the same period in the 22-23 fiscal year by \$10,000. Currently, a little greater than 330 families of the 4,000+ registered parish families are buying gift cards. We thank those of you that, over the years, continue to buy gift cards, as well as all the new buyers. Both online and in-person gift card purchases continue to rise.



# WITH ADDITIONAL PARTICIPATION, THE PROFIT FROM GIFT CARD SALES COULD SUBSTANTIALLY OFFSET THE PROJECTED BUDGET SHORTFALL OF \$245,000.

Why should I buy gift cards through the Resurrection Parish/Ave Maria Academy Gift Card Program? Many reasons, but three (thanks Fr. Chip) are most notable:

- 1. **FINANCIALLY:** It helps our Parish at no or minimal cost to you. Every gift card you purchase results in money that directly goes to our Parish through rebates (discounts) the vendors give us. These rebates range from 2.5% to as much as 20% of the value of the gift card (Many significant online bonuses are offered frequently throughout the year). These rebates are tax deductible, similar to your offertory giving, for those that itemize on their federal tax return. (What a great country we live in!)
- 2. **EVERYDAY SPENDING:** With the gift cards that are offered, you can pay for your groceries, car gas, dining out, retail shopping, home remodeling, or buy other gift cards to use yourself or as gifts. The cost to purchase is minimal. Online purchases are as little as \$0.29/total transaction when paying through your bank account and NO COST if you purchase physical cards at the parish when paying with a check or cash. You can also pay with a credit or debit card with minimal fees both online or at the parish office at St. Thomas More Church.
- 3. CONVENIENT: Buying gift cards is VERY convenient. You can purchase online 365 days per year by registering at www.raiseright.com with the Enrollment Code assigned specifically to Resurrection Parish. Please contact the parish offices during regular business hours to obtain this code. If the gift cards you purchase are e-cards, you can have them immediately available to use on your smart phone, even while waiting in the checkout line. You can also purchase gift cards (18 local vendors are offered every day of the week) directly at the parish offices during regular business hours and before and after the weekend masses.

Again, thank you for participating in the Gift Card Program. For those that haven't started buying gift cards yet, PLEASE consider doing so - you will be financially helping YOUR Parish at NO or minimal additional cost to you.

#### **FINANCE COUNCIL**

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## AROUND OUR PARISH



# Moms Ministry **Rosary and Reflection**

~ Calling all moms looking for fellowship and support ~

Join us once a month to pray the rosary for our families and to reflect on various topics relating to motherhood.

7:00-8:30 p.m. .....

#### Our schedule is as follows:

₹7:00 p.m. Welcome and Rosary

Small group discussion on the topic 7:30 p.m.

of the month

♦ 8:15 p.m. Closing prayer and petitions

#### Meeting dates and location:

 March 18 - Stations of the Cross and Meager Meal at St. Thomas More

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April 18 - St. John Capistran

May 16 - St. John Capistran

Questions? Contact Karen McElhaney at karen.mcelhaney@comcast.net

Honor her for all that her hands have done, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate. ~Proverbs 31:34



www.resurrectionpgh.org/nationaleucharistic-revival

See what exciting things are happening!

#### Men's Emmaus Retreat is April 19-21, 2023

Are you looking to deepen your relationship 🥮 with God and our Faith Community? Based on the Gospel of Luke 24:13-35, the Emmaus Emmaus Retreat allows men to step away from everyday life and focus on their relationship with God, family, and friends. Hundreds of men from our parish have discovered the impact it can have on faith, marriages, parenting, and other aspects of our lives. The next Emmaus Retreat will be held April 19-21 at the Spiritan Center in Bethel Park.

The cost of the retreat is \$125, including meals and lodging. No men are turned away and assistance is available. Registration is open through the retreat weekend. Applications are available at the church entrances or at www.resurrectionpgh.org/emmaus-men.

Please contact Dan Kulbieda at (412) 496-8510 or dan kulbieda@yahoo.com or Jake Pauley at (412) 266-1925 or jakepauley1976@gmail.com with any questions.

Current altar servers and parents, please join us for Serving Pizza, Serving Mass, Serving God - an opportunity to share a pizza lunch and practice serving! Training will cover the basics of serving,



prepare servers to serve at both churches, and invite them to consider joining us for our solemn Holy Week liturgies. Deacon Joe and Seminarian Matt will lead the sessions, and Seminarian Matt is available by appointment if you cannot attend a session. Sign-up is required at

www.resurrectionpgh.org/altar-servers.

Sunday, March 10th 12:30-2:30 at STM/FLC, after the 11:30 Mass

#### **AFTER-MASS COLLECTION RED DOOR LUNCHES FOR THE HUNGRY PROGRAM** MARCH 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>

Monetary donations will be collected after all the Masses at St. Thomas More and St. John Capistran the weekend of March 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> to benefit the Resurrection Parish Red Door Lunches for the Hungry program. The ministry meets once a month at STM to make 500 PB&J and ham sandwiches. In addition, 250 snack bags are collected once a month at SJC. These food items are then distributed to those in need by the Red Door Ministry in downtown Pittsburgh. Please consider supporting this worthy organization. Sponsored by the Ladies of Charity. Make checks payable to "Ladies of Charity - Resurrection Parish".



Can you make a great PB&J? Do you love creating deli sandwiches? Enjoy meeting fun and friendly people in a volunteer setting? If so, we need you!

Lunches for the Hungry ministry meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month in the AMA school cafeteria to make sandwiches for the working poor of Pittsburgh through the Red Door program. We are going to be increasing our production to 250 peanut butter & jelly and 250 ham & cheese sandwiches and would love more helpers!

This is a great opportunity for teens looking for volunteer hours, families to volunteer together, girlfriend groups to gather, etc. Clearances are required before beginning.

Please contact Ann Rhodes at 412-596-2876 or rhodesann@comcast.net with any questions.



Join with other Ladies of Charity once a month for **Project Linus** to create blankets for sick children. No sewing skills needed! The group will meet next month on Monday, March 5<sup>th</sup> from 9:00-11:00 a.m. in Capistran Hall at St. John Capistran church.

## AROUND OUR PARISH

#### **Liturgy of the Hours Morning Prayer**



Liturgy of the Hours, as the official liturgical prayer of the Church, finds its source in the Eucharist to sanctify all hours of our day. The Church invites the laity to join as one in the Body of Christ to pray the

Liturgy of the Hours so that God's Word may be integrated into our daily lives in a prayer that is truly both ancient and ever new.

Please gather together to pray as a group every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday morning at 8:00 a.m. before Mass at St. John Capistran.

Easy to follow booklets are provided.

## 2023 Contribution Statements

Resurrection Parish will now be sending contribution statements for tax purposes BY REQUEST ONLY.

To request that a 2023 Contribution Statement be sent to you, please *email* your request to:

TaxLetter@resurrectionpgh.org

or *mail* your request to:

ATTN: Tax Statement Request 126 Fort Couch Rd Pittsburgh, PA 15241



or online at

www.resurrectionpgh.org/contribution-statement-request or scanning by the QR code above.

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- Current Address
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Christine Reeves from LPi, our bulletin printer, will be securing new ads for our church in the coming weeks. It is the support of the business community that helps to make our church thrive. Please consider purchasing a print and/or digital ad as your participation makes our bulletin successful, and you attract customers!

Church bulletin advertising is a cost-effective way to advertise 52 times per year and show support for your local community; in turn, parishioners will support you!

Digital advertising allows your business to be front and center to anyone who visits a church profile page on ParishesOnline.com — that's approximately 500,000 page views per month!



### **PARISH PHOTO DIRECTORY**



We will be compiling a 2024 pictorial Parish Directory in April of this year!

We would love to have your help with this very important project!

- Help families sign up after Masses and at Fish Frys (March 15 & 22)
- Greeter during photo shoots for hospitality and to direct the families (2-4 hour commitment on photo days)
- Layout and design team
- Collect photos of parish activities & ministry events
- Student? Obtain community service hours.

Sign up to volunteer at

www.resurrectionpgh.org/parish-pictorial-directory

Questions?

Contact Joan Hornbake at jkhornbake@hotmail.com.

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# Resurrection Parish **2024 MENU**

### **DINNERS**

Fried, Hand-breaded Cod Fillet with French Fries & Coleslaw... \$15.00

Fried Fish Sandwich Dinner served on a Cibrone's Hoagie Roll with French Fries & Coleslaw... \$15.50

Fried Shrimp Dinner with French Fries & Coleslaw... \$15.00

Baked Cod Loin, topped with seasoned breadcrumbs, with Baked Potato & Coleslaw... \$15.00

Online orders for Takeout or Fast Fish, due by 2pm Each Thursday www.resurrectionpgh.org



Please, No Substitutions

## SMALL PLATE DINNERS

Ir. Fried, Hand-breaded Cod Fillet with French Fries & Coleslaw... \$9.00

Ir. Fried Fish Sandwich Dinner served on a Cibrone's Hoagie Roll with French Fries & Coleslaw... \$9.50

Ir. Fried Shrimp Dinner with French Fries & Coleslaw... \$9.00

## **ALA CARTE**

Fried Fish Sandwich only served on a Cibrone's Hoagie Roll... \$12.00

Lucia's Homemade Mac & Cheese... \$4.00

Pierogi (potato/cheese) prepared with butter & onions... (5) \$6.00 or (10) \$12.00

Cheese Pizza (dine in only)... \$3.00/slice

French Fries... \$3.00

Baked Potato... \$3.00

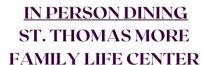


Beer, Wine and Desserts will be available for purchase, Dine In Only





3/1 - Lucia's Homemade Cheese Lasagna 3/15 - Franco's Trattoria Eggplant Parmesan



CURBSIDE TAKE OUT & DRIVE-UP ORDERING AVE MARIA ACADEMY SCHOOL DROP OFF CIRCLE



# Meager Meal



# On Saturday, March 9th in Capistran Hall, Following the 5pm Mass

Loaded Baked Potato Soup, Wedding Soup, or Tomato Bisque and Salad Bar

The Second Saturday Suppers are an opportunity for food, faith and fellowship for our parish community. The dinners are provided by Resurrection Parish.

Reservations are requested no later than Tuesday, March 5th. Use the link below or call the parish offices 412-833-0031 or 412-221-6275 to sign up www.resurrectionpgh.org/second-saturday-suppers

Any amount of free will offering that you would like to give to offset the dinner expenses is greatly appreciated. Hope to see you there!





## AROUND OUR PARISH & COMMUNITY

#### **Catholic Sisters Week** Food Drive to Restock St. Winifred Food Pantry

Celebrate Catholic Sisters Week (March 8-14) by joining the Sisters of St. Francis of the Providence of God in their efforts to serve our neighbors in the South Hills. The Sisters are collecting donations of canned goods, nonperishable food items, and Giant Eagle gift cards for St. Winifred Food Pantry - a collaborative effort of Saint Paul of the Cross, Saint Michael the Archangel, Resurrection, and Our Lady of Hope Parishes. Donations may be dropped off March 4-15 between 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Sisters' Administrative

Offices: 5802 Curry Road, Pgh, 15236 (former rectory behind Nativity Church). All monetary donations should be sent directly to St. Winifred Food Pantry. For more information, please contact the Sisters at info@osfprov.org or (412) 885-7232.



The Parish Library is open the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month after the 9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. Masses.

If you are interested in assisting this ministry, please contact Kay Houston at waynkayh@yahoo.com.

### Resurrection Parish

# FISHFRY

# Be a Volunteer! Join our Fish Fry Team!

Set Up, Kitchen, Serving, Desserts, Dining Room, Curbside Take Out, Clean Up

**Thursday Friday Friday** Take Out Food Dine-In & Area Prep Kitchen

Volunteers 18yrs & older are required to have Diocesan Clearances by 2/9/24, for the first Fish Fry on 2/16/23

For questions regarding Diocesan Clearances, please contact slevitt@resurrectionpgh.org, swildenhain@resurrectionpgh.org or 412-833-0031

#### **PRO-LIFE Rosary Signups**



In our continuing battle to change the hearts of those who support abortion, please sign up to pray one decade of the Rosary (an Our Father, 10 Hail Marys, and a Glory Be) every day

during Lent for a pro-life intention - from home or in the car - anywhere! Lent runs through Holy Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>. Choose from any one of the Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious, or Luminous mysteries of the Rosary. Thank you to those who have already committed to this daily prayer. For more information, or to sign up, please contact Sue Vodzak at 412-953-8840 or savodzak@gmail.com.





This Lent, you are invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life - 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood, 933 Liberty Ave, Pittsburgh, and to help spread the word about this important community outreach. For more information, and especially if you would like to help, please contact:

Carolyn Sopher-Martin, 412-860-9980

caromartin7777@gmail.com Go to 40daysforlife.com/Pittsburgh for more info, or check out the blog at 40daysforlifepittsburgh.com.



Gift of Mary is an emergency women's shelter that ministers to the most vulnerable women in our community - those

experiencing any type of abuse or exploitation. Our overnight shelter is currently under construction and is expected to be completed in the coming months. However, we have opened a day center to provide abused women, as well as women experiencing homelessness, a place to rest, heal and recover. We offer meals, clothing, showers and access to case managers who walk with them through their process of recovery. Gift of Mary provides dignity, hope and the possibility of a future to women who have nowhere else to turn. To successfully make all this happen, we rely on the support of volunteers and donors to make this mission a reality. Check out our website at Giftofmary.org for more information and/or contact us at info@giftofmary.org.

# AVE MARIA ACADEMY & OUR COMMUNITY



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#### JOIN OUR AMA FAMILY!

Give your child the gift of a Catholic Education! Ave Maria Academy campuses in Bethel Park and Mt. Lebanon offer Preschool through Eighth Grade programs with challenging curriculum integrating the teachings of Christ. Please call our campus offices or visit our website for more information.

AVE MARIA ACADEMY SCHOOL NEWS

#### **WEEK IN REVIEW**

In this month's Kindness Day activity, students wrote letters to our local law enforcement and firefighters to thank them for all they do for our communities. We were so happy that police officers from Bethel Park and Mt. Lebanon visited our schools to receive the cards. Students lined the hallways and gave them a round of applause to show our appreciation for their dedication to service.



Thank you to our **EDUCATION PARTNERS** 









#### FREE TAX ASSISTANCE BY VITA

at The Bible Chapel 300 Gallery Drive, McMurray, PA 15317

> February 5 to April 4, 2024 (Closed Monday, April 1)

Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. No returns started after 1:00 p.m.

NO APPOINTMENTS - FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED

#### YOU MUST BRING:

- 2022 Tax Return
- ID for Yourself and Your Spouse
- Social Security Numbers & Birth Dates for Yourself, Your Spouse and Dependents
- All W-2 & 1099 Tax Documents (including Social Security 1099), 1095 Health Care **Statements and Property Tax Receipts**
- Both Spouses must Sign Joint Tax Returns

Federal, State and Local Tax and Property Tax/Rent Rebate Forms Prepared Questions? Call the IRS at 800-829-1040 or visit www.swpavita.com

PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT THE BIBLE CHAPEL





Jewelry donations for the flea market for this year's Summerfest are being accepted and may be dropped off at the Resurrection Parish office. Also, those wishing to

volunteer to assist with jewelry and purses this year may contact Pattie O'Donnell at 412-915-9815.



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NO LATER THAN 10:00 A.M. MONDAY MORNINGS.
NO EXCEPTIONS.

parishbulletin@resurrectionpgh.org

#### **SACRAMENTS**

#### Sacrament of Baptism

Celebrated the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month at 12:30 pm at STM and 12:00 pm at SJC (An instruction class before a first child's Baptism is required. Call the Parish Office to R.S.V.P.)

#### Sacrament of Holy Eucharist

Available to the sick and those confined to home. Please contact the Parish Office to learn more. First Eucharist is celebrated annually in the spring.

#### Sacrament of Confirmation

Annually in the fall. Please contact the Religious Education office to learn more.

#### Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact a parish priest at least six months in advance. Masses are typically scheduled on Saturdays at 1:30pm at STM and 2:00 pm on Saturdays at SJC.

#### Sacrament of Holy Orders

If you feel you are might be called to the priesthood or diaconate, please contact your parish priest or visit: www.pghpriest.com.

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confessions are heard on Saturdays at 9:00 am at STM and 4:00 pm at SJC. For private confessions, call the Parish Office.

#### Sacrament of Anointing

If you or a loved one is in need of Anointing, please contact the Parish Office. Anointing services are also conducted annually.

#### **RCIA**

#### (THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? RCIA is offered every year in the fall. It is a beautiful process of discernment, conversion, commitment, and love. Please call or email the Parish Office and ask to be directed to the RCIA Coordinator.

Funeral Masses ......10:00 am at both locations

Resurrection Parish: 412-833-0031 or 412-221-6275 Resurrection Parish Religious Education Offices: 412-835-6996 or 412-221-5445.

Ave Maria Academy: 412-833-1412

If you require assistance in an area not listed in the bulletin, please call or visit the parish offices.

#### St. Vincent de Paul Society

Resurrection Parish has an active St. Vincent de Paul Society conference that helps neighbors in need. If you need assistance with rent, mortgage, utilities or other needs please contact us at 412-564-3411. Leave a message and we will return your call.

If you suspect child abuse, please contact: Diocesan Victim Assistance 1-888-808-1235