

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

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SUNDAY MASSES & CONFESSIONS: See Inside

BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES: For these Sacraments,
Please notify the Church Office as soon as possible so
that we may be able to accommodate you. Thank you.
(Must be registered and practicing for at least 3 months)

NEW PARISHIONERS: Please fill out registration card
and return to ushers or to the church office

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:
Tel. 482-6883 or 481-7172

RELIGIOUS ARTICLES STORE: Tel. 437-9876

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PARISH OFFICE: Tel. 481-7171 or 481-7172
Fax 481-8007, www.resurrectionch.org
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M-Th 8am-12 pm & 1-4 pm, Fri 8am-12 pm & 12:30-3:30 pm
Saturday 8:30 am - 12:00 pm

APRIL 13, 2008
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

THE CALL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Twenty-third Psalm, today's responsorial psalm, is arguably the best known of all the psalms. The line that reads "Even though I walk in the dark valley / I fear no evil; for You are at my side / with Your rod and Your staff / that give me courage" (Psalm 23:4) connects this week's scriptures to the wonderful story of the road to Emmaus, which we heard last week. The Lord Jesus, our Good Shepherd, is constantly at our side. He calls us each by name, beckoning us into a deeper relationship with Him. That call, issued to each of us at the moment of our Baptism, carries with it the promise of the Good Shepherd: "I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly" (John 10:10).

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Fourth Sunday of Easter April 13, 2008

He Himself bore our sins in His body upon the cross, so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness.

— 1 Peter 2:24a

MASSSES FOR THE WEEK

SAT. APRIL 12 - SUNDAY VIGIL MASSES

- 3:00 †Paul Forst by Friends & Family
4:30 †Edmund & Anna Gaudelli by Beverly & Mim
6:00 †Lydia Constantino by Friends

SUN. APRIL 13

- 6:30 †George Leo by Friends
8:00 †William Mulroy by Wife, Teresa Mulroy
9:30 ♥People of the Parish
11:00 †Lucille Boscaino by Ferrara Family
12:30 †Daniel Memoli, Sr. by Shirlee Tallman & Family

MON. APRIL 14

- 8:00 †Joseph Constantino by Laura & Gary Canamare
9:30 †Bonnie Navarre by Jerry & Sheila Lane

TUE. APRIL 15

- 8:00 †Victoria Vitale by Seven Lakes Friends
9:30 †Bruno Cortina by Cecilia Malloy

WED. APRIL 16

- 8:00 †Liv. & Dec'd Members of Resurrection Women's Guild
9:30 †Don English by Family

THU. APRIL 17

- 8:00 †Richard Geiger by Robert & Mary Ellen Geiger
9:30 †Judy McCall by Jack & Marilyn Hester

FRI. APRIL 18

- 8:00 †Marie LaPorte by M/M Luigi Visciotti
9:30 †Yong Ahn by Jim & Elaine Bogan

SAT. APRIL 19

- 8:00 †Tom Thieser by Lombardo Family

SAT. APRIL 19 - SUNDAY VIGIL MASSES

- 3:00 †Carl Hessler by Florence & Anthony Gualemi
4:30 †Bruno Cortina by St. Vincent DePaul Society
6:00 †Michael Allegranzi by Karen Hutchinson

SUN. APRIL 20

- 6:30 ♥People of the Parish
8:00 †Ted Radecki by Matt & Barbara Grattenthaler
9:30 †Godofredo Dazon by Galang Family
11:00 †Mary Dubek by Phil & Lynn Fortin
12:30 †Barbara J. Richey by Al Kinkle & Lexington C.C. Staff

CONFESSIONS - Saturdays 1:45-2:45PM, 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, David Low, James Flannery, Lynn Kanady, Judy McCall, Jeffrey Keim, Bruno Cortina, Michael Alligranzi, George Giovannone, Yong Ahn, George Shye, Mildred Andreotti, Richard Varney, Mary Deegan, Paul Parrino, Michael Turansick.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — All peoples called by God will receive the gift of the Spirit if they repent and are baptized (Acts 2:14a, 36-41).

Psalm — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).

Second Reading — Once we were like straying sheep; but now we have been returned to the shepherd, our guardian (1 Peter 2:20b-25).

Gospel — The shepherd leads the sheep out into pastures of abundant life (John 10:1-10).



HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR APRIL 2008

General: That even in difficult and complex situations of present-day society, Christians may never tire of proclaiming with their lives Christ's resurrection, the source of hope and

peace.

Mission: That future priests in young churches may be ever more seriously formed culturally and spiritually in order to evangelize their respective countries and the whole world.

2008 ANNUAL CATHOLIC FAITH APPEAL: TOGETHER IN CHRIST



The 2008 Catholic Faith Appeal continues in our Diocese. The annual operating support helps fund pastoral outreach, mission and poor parishes, religious education, vocations and much more. **Our parish assessment this year is \$379,000.00.** Thus far **\$316,378.14** has been pledged, and payments made, total **\$238,933.82.** Thank you for your generosity. For those who have not yet pledged or made a donation, it is not too late to do so. Envelopes for this purpose can be found in the pews and at the entrances of the church.

RESURRECTION PRAYER LINE MINISTRY

For prayer requests call Mary Lou Fitzpatrick, 454-6752. Give your first name & prayer petition. Should you reach an answering machine, please leave your phone number so that we can call you back. Petitions are prayed for 31 days. **Prayer Line volunteers are needed** to pray & answer prayer requests. Take this opportunity to help someone else and still be able to choose your own time.



PRAYERS FOR PRIESTS

Please join us as we gather **every Thursday** immediately after the 8:00 Mass to pray for priests.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY WITH LORETTA DUQUETTE

The adult bible study will be continued weekly, every Tuesday (April 15 - May 15) from 7:00 - 9:00p.m. The focus April 15 will be *Jesus the Good Shepherd*. The Focus April 22 through May 13 will be the *Gospel of John*. All are welcome. Please phone 482-6883 to reserve a space.



**PLEASE DON'T FORGET THE POOR BOXES;
THEY ARE THE BREAD BOXES OF THE POOR!**

WEEKLY SUNDAY OFFERING
APRIL 6, 2008

Registered families with envelopes: 2450

Envelopes received: 894 (36%) \$22,670.50

Remaining families & visitors: 1556 (64%) \$8,204.50

Thank You!

RESURRECTION EDUCATION FUND

April 6, 2008

\$5,902.00

Thank You!

ST. VINCENT DePAUL OFFERING

April 6, 2008

\$1,020.50

Thank You!

USHERS ARE NEEDED!

Men and women parishioners are needed to volunteer as ushers. Please consider giving some of your time to the Lord and to your Parish. A special 'THANK YOU' to the current ushers for their dedication. For information phone Dan at 768-5617.

TIME AND TALENT NEEDED

We are seeking adult, confirmed Catholics who are registered members of the parish to serve as **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** for church Masses.

We especially have need at the 6:00 p.m. Vigil Mass on Saturday and the 8:00 and 9:30 a.m. Masses on Sunday. To learn more about this ministry and/or to volunteer your time and talent, please call the parish office and ask for an information and interest form to be sent to you. You will be contacted once you have completed and returned the form to us.

**** No Prayer Group Meeting on
April 15, 2008 ****

MEN'S CLUB NEWS



SPECIAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST

As a token of their appreciation of the outstanding parishioner support over the years, the Men's Club is hosting a "Two for One" *Pancake Breakfast* on **Sunday, April 13. Buy one breakfast & receive one FREE!!!** Please join us in the Parish Center Sunday, April 13, after the **8:00 & 9:30 a.m. Masses.**

FLOWER MINISTRY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Would you like to serve the Lord with the Ministry of flowers in our church? We have need of a flower tender, especially for the summer months, and for the entire year if possible. Please call Judy at **482-0517** to volunteer.

DONATIONS FOR CHAPEL FLOWERS

Donations are requested and will be much appreciated. They beautify our church and honor our Lord.



St. Vincent DePaul wishes to THANK the Men's Club for their generous donation of \$500.00



POPE BENEDICT XVI
CHRIST OUR HOPE
 APOSTOLIC JOURNEY TO THE UNITED STATES 2008

WASHINGTON, DC Tuesday, April 15 Wednesday, April 16 Thursday, April 17	NEW YORK CITY Friday, April 18 Saturday, April 19 Sunday, April 20
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People will have chance to see pope as he travels from site to site

(Source: Catholic News Service)

WASHINGTON (CNS) -- Washingtonians and visitors to the nation's capital will have opportunities to greet Pope Benedict XVI during his April 15-17, 2008 visit to Washington.

"An important part of the pope's demanding itinerary includes opportunities for the public to see the pope as he travels to some events," according to a March 19 news release from the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.

The release said details of the pope's travel routes were still being finalized, but that there will be several opportunities for the general public to welcome the pope as he travels in the popemobile.

Created for his predecessor, Pope John Paul II, the customized, bullet-proof vehicle allows for as much visual contact as possible between the pontiff and members of the public who gather to get a glimpse of him.

The pontiff is expected to arrive at 4 p.m. April 15 at Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland just outside Washington on an Alitalia flight dubbed "Shepherd One." Several Vatican officials and more than 60 members of the Vatican press corps will be on the same plane.

President George W. Bush and first lady Laura Bush will be there to greet the pope, as will several church officials, according to the USCCB. They will include Archbishop Pietro Sambi, Vatican nuncio to the United States; Cardinal Francis E. George of Chicago, who is USCCB president; Archbishop Donald W. Wuerl of Washington; and Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio of the U.S. Archdiocese for the Military Services.

Among several hundred other guests will be military families and young people from several area Catholic high schools. Before the pope's arrival, the U.S. Air Force Band will provide entertainment.

When the pope arrives, a color guard will offer its customary greeting for a head of state. The welcoming ceremony will be brief and there will be no speeches.

The next morning Pope Benedict will meet with Bush at the White House, and the general public will be able to see the pope as he leaves there and travels across town to return to the papal nunciature, where he will stay while he is in Washington. Pope Benedict will ride in the popemobile for part of the route.

Later, the public will be able to see the pope as he travels in the popemobile to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in another part of the city. At the shrine he will celebrate vespers and meet with the U.S. bishops.

On April 17, following a 5 p.m. address to the heads of more than 200 U.S. Catholic colleges and universities at The Catholic University of America, the pope will travel across campus to the Pope John Paul II Cultural Center for an early-evening interfaith meeting with Buddhists, Hindus, Jews, Muslims and representatives of other religions.

Access to viewing areas on the campus to see the pope April 16-17 were being made available only through tickets the university allocated to local church-sponsored Catholic organizations.

The university held a student essay contest to find one lucky winner who will be introduced to Pope Benedict by Vincentian Father David M. O'Connell, the school's president, when the pope visits the campus.

By the March 18 deadline, a total of 128 undergraduate, graduate and law students had turned in 500-word essays on "How Catholic education has changed my life." The winner of the contest will be announced on or before April 9. Both the winner and the runner-up will attend the pontiff's address to college officials and a post-address reception.

Father O'Connell also has invited students from other Washington area Catholic colleges and universities to join in welcoming the pope to Catholic University's campus.

Editor's Note: More information about the pope's schedule while he is visiting the United States is available online at: www.uspapalvisit.org.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

GOSPEL SHARING QUESTION

All families are encouraged to share on these questions around the dinner table or in the car. The Gospels are meant to be lived. Join us in making them alive!

How do you recognize His voice?

WOMEN'S GUILD NEWS

WOMEN'S GUILD MONTHLY MEETING

The Women's Guild will hold their monthly meeting on **April 16**. Installation of officers will take place **immediately following the 8:00a.m.** Mass. Fr. Toner will officiate. Refreshments will follow at the Parish Center. All women are welcomed.



SPRING CRAFT & BAKE SALE

Come and visit the ladies of the Women's Guild for their *Spring Craft & Bake Sale* featuring Mother's Day items, **Sunday, April 13 immediately following the 8:00a.m. Mass in the Parish Center.** The sale will continue until noon. A beautiful Swarovski necklace and earring set, on display at the Religious Articles Store, will be auctioned (in a silent auction) as part of the *Spring Craft & Bake Sale*. Stop in and make a bid on this lovely item. *Remember Mother's Day!!*

The proceeds of the Spring Craft & Bake Sale will benefit The Sisters of St. Theresa Mwanza Diocese of Africa.

THE FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL MUSEUM IS PRIVILEGED TO PRESENT THE LARGEST VATICAN EXHIBITION EVER TO VISIT NORTH AMERICA



VATICAN
SPLENDORS

FROM SAINT PETER'S BASILICA,
THE VATICAN MUSEUMS AND THE SWISS GUARD

Resurrection has reserved group rates for Fri. April 18, 2008.

Adults: \$15.00

Rel. Ed. Students: \$6.00

Carpool will leave Parish Center parking lot at 8:00 a.m. on Fri. April 18.

Reservation Deadline:

April 14, 2008

For more information and reservations phone:

Patti at 482-6883

FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL MUSEUM

JUNIOR YOUTH NEWS

JUNIOR YOUTH MEETING FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL

The Junior Youth will meet Sunday evening, **April 13th & 27th at 6:00p.m.** Topics to be announced. As always, dinner and a beverage is \$1.00, **RSVP to 481-5144.**

****NO RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES APRIL 15 & 16****

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RCIA SESSION (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Focus Session, "Jesus the Good Shepherd", with Loretta Duquette.

JUBILATION CONGRATULATIONS!!

Thank you to all the parishioners who attended our Jubilation celebration, to all those in ministry who helped with presentations and to the young people in the parish who worked so hard on their faith presentations. We especially congratulate the following:

High School Level

1st Prize - Matthew Mazur - Morality of Human Acts

2nd Prize - Giovanni Melchiorre - Expressions of Prayer

3rd Prize - Chase Malt - Guides For Prayer

Middle School Level

1st Prize - Heather Hanwacker - The Church in God's Plan

2nd Prize - Anthony Melchiorre - We Believe - The Creed

3rd Prize - Rachel Chesnover and Kelly Hargaden - Signs and Symbols of the Holy Spirit

Elementary

1st Prize - Joshua Galang - The Ten Commandments

2nd Prize - Olivia Nowak - How Do Guardian Angels Help Us?

3rd Prize - Kayla Sheffield - The Sacraments of the Church

The following parishioners won door prizes:

Carol Scher, Joanne Janiak, Noreen Donovan, Jean Donato, Mary Schneider, Carol Roe, Pat Cunningham, Kailah Gobel, Sarah Santiago, Donna Drake, Don Weber, J. Sierra, Connor Crep, Connor Cranfield, Karen Glover, Sean Kopper, Jerry Hanwacker, Jerry Ruggero, Virginia Wendol, Victor LoFranco, Jean Flewelling, M. Colamaco, John Carlin, Jason Shirley.

Thank you to the following businesses for their generous donations:

Rene's Catering, Leroy Selmons, First Watch, Smokey Bones, Cin Cin, University Grill and Prawnbroker and the following parishioners who donated door prizes: Joe Ferrara, Pablo Al-civar, Dolores LaPorta, Welcome Committee, Women's Guild, Men's Club and Family Circle Donuts.

Thank you to all who helped with the celebration of the dedication of the Resurrection Church.



COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

It's the season of rebirth, new life, when nature seems to take a fresh start. Why not wake up your marriage this Spring as well? A *Marriage Encounter Weekend* gives married people the time, place and tools they need to dust off their relationship. Experience Spring in your marriage **April 18-20!!** For more information call Derek & Kim at **458-8205** or email, kddnoce@yahoo.com.

SOUTH WEST FLORIDA CATHOLIC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING

- ♦ **Monday, April 14**, After 7:00a.m. Mass - **7:30-9:00a.m.**
- ♦ **Saint Katharine Drexel Parish in Cape Coral.**
- ♦ Bring your business cards for networking.
- ♦ All businesses and ministries are welcome from all parishes.
- ♦ Please join us for coffee and refreshments.
- ♦ No charge to attend all meetings.
- ♦ For more info contact Angela at **652-1002**.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL PRESENTS DISNEY'S "BEAUTY AND THE BEAST"

"Be our guest", April 18 & 19, 7:30 p.m. at Bishop Verot's Anderson Theater. General admission, \$10.00, reserved seating, \$15.00. For tickets and more information phone 334-7707 ext. 228.

SOUTHWEST FLORIDA CATHOLIC SINGLES

The Southwest Florida Catholic Singles group is for **ages 30, 40, 50's who are single, widowed, annulled**. Their mission is strictly to promote fellowship through the Southwest Florida area. The purpose of the group is to provide spiritual, social and service activities for members in a safe Christian environment, encouraging a deeper relationship with God and support for each other. For more information contact Pam, **989-7077**.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

The Haitian Center of Catholic Charities is in need of volunteers for the following programs: Adult Education Classes, Citizenship Classes, Literacy Classes, Computer Classes. **If interested, please contact Pierrette or Rose at 334-2234.**

PAID POSITION AVAILABLE

AFCAAM Reading program at Harlem Heights branch has an opening for a paid position, part time teacher. Please contact Gwen at 985-0299 for more information.

SWFL SYMPHONY CHAMBER CHORUS

Sing a New Song Unto the Lord, Sunday, **April 13 at 3:00p.m.**, **St. Isabel Catholic Church, Sanibel Captiva Rd.**, Sanibel. Tickets are available for a suggested donation of \$10.00 to benefit St. Isabel's Music Ministry. The SWFL Symphony Chamber Chorus and Symphony String Sextet, Maestro Joseph Caulkins, Conductor, will be performing sacred works by Monteverdi, Faure, Mass in G Major by Franz Schubert, Five Mystical Songs by Ralph Vaughn Williams. Call **472-2763** for more information.

MINISTRY OF THE SICK

When being admitted to the hospital, it is imperative that you give the name of your parish, state that you are Catholic and WISH TO BE SEEN BY A PRIEST, otherwise you might not be visited. If you go through the emergency room, 99% of the time your name and parish will not get on the Catholic list. Please be sure that the admissions office is notified.

The following hospitals are the responsibility of the parish in which they are located.

- Gulf Coast Hospital - visited daily by Blessed Pope John XXIII Parish, 561-224
- Lee Memorial Hospital - visited daily by St. Francis Xavier Parish, 334-2161
- S.W. Regional Medical Center - visited daily by St. Cecilia's Parish, 936-3635
- Lee Memorial Health Park - visited daily by St. Columbkille Parish, 489-3973

A priest is on call 7 days a week, 24 hours a day for the above hospitals at the above telephone numbers.

Parishioners at Hospitals and Nursing Homes (within our parish boundaries) are visited by Resurrection priests as follows:

- All Hospitals: Monday, Wednesday, Friday
 - Nursing Homes & Shut-ins: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday
- Also, Lay Ministers visit the shut-ins Monday through Friday. Should you be missed, please call the church office, 481-7172.

RESURRECTION CALENDAR

ALL events take place in the Parish Center, unless otherwise stated.

Beyond Bereavement, Monday, 8:30am, library, Cecilia, 437-2367

Bereavement Ministry, for the grieving, call Dona, 275-7875

Men's Club, 1st Monday of month, 7:30p.m. conference room.

Prayer Group, Tuesdays, 7:00p.m., In the Youth Room.

Baptismal Class, 2nd Tuesday of month, 7:00p.m.

Craft Club, Tuesdays, 8:30a.m to 10:30a.m.

Directions For Our Times Rosary Prayer Group, 4th Tuesday of month, 8:30a.m.

RCIA, Tuesdays, 7:00p.m., conference room.

Rel. Ed., Tues., 4:30p.m.-5:45p.m. & Wed , 6:15p.m.-7:15p.m.

Bible Sharing Group, Wednesdays, 8:30a.m.

Women's Guild, 3rd Wednesday of the month, 8:30a.m.

Children's Choir, Wednesdays, 5:30p.m.- 6:15p.m.

Rosary, before daily Masses; Tues. & Thurs., 2:00p.m., church.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, after 8:00a.m Mass, every 1st Friday, chapel.

Bridge Club, Thurs., 1:00p.m., call Rita, 433-0900

Prayer for Priests, Thursdays after the 8:00a.m. Mass, chapel

Our Lady of Miraculous Medal Novena, Saturdays after the 8:00a.m Mass, church.

Coffee & Doughnuts, Sundays, after 8:00a.m & 9:30a.m. Masses