

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 advise you of the requirements.
Thank you.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Please fill out registration card
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AUGUST 10, 2008

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOTHING TO FEAR

A rabbi was asked why God sends trials and troubles into human lives. "Because God gets lonely for His people" was the reply. There is some resonance with this wisdom in today's Gospel, as Jesus makes His disciples get into a boat without Him and goes off alone while they venture into stormy waters. Of course, neither Jews nor Christians believe that the Almighty plays this sort of whimsical game with them, but there is some truth in the statement that we don't turn to God for saving help until we're in a bind. Peter's role today, as it is throughout the New Testament, is to be a sign or to represent each member of the church and the whole church. Our story is the tale told about Peter's faith today. What can bolster our faith is that even when Christ calls us to face bravely the tempests of life, if we are walking through them with our eyes fixed on Him in faith, we have nothing to fear. Even when we falter or sink, simply crying "Lord, save me!" is enough to help us know the steady grasp of God's hand. Then, sheltered inside the walls of faith, the storms we endure lose their power over us.

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Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 10, 2008

Truth shall spring out of the earth, and justice shall look down from heaven.

- Psalm 85:12

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SAT. August 09 - SUNDAY VIGIL MASSES

3:30 †Paul Forst by Friends & Family
5:00 †Carl & Frances Miller by Gege & Dave Schmirler

SUN. August 10

6:30 †Greg Sanders by Family
8:00 †Joseph Persico by Wife, Maria
9:30 ♥People of the Parish
11:00 †Richard Dennis by Dave Hazell

MON. August 11

8:00 ♥Thanksgiving to St. Martin by Rosa Matthews

TUE. August 12

8:00 †Sonia P. Halizak by Knox, Hoffman, and Mitchell Families

WED. August 13

8:00 †Joseph Katin by Katin Family

THU. August 14

8:00 †Fran Schmitt by Cathy & John Strickling

FRI. August 15 - FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

8:00 †Beverly Musial by Family
9:30 ♥People of the Parish
5:30 †Shaun Doherty by Wife

SAT. August 16

8:00 ♥Thanksgiving to St. Jude by Benito Munoz

SAT. August 16 - SUNDAY VIGIL MASSES

3:30 †Rene Bennett by Karen French-Watson and Bennett Families
5:00 †James Harold Gregor by Jamie, Michael & Carol Gregor

SUN. August 17

6:30 ♥People of the Parish
8:00 †Helen Jacoby by Family
9:30 †Angeline Sgro by Madeline Miscki
11:00 †Frank DiPlacido

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, **Rita Talty**.



TRIDENTINE MASS TO BE CELEBRATED AT RESURRECTION PARISH

The next Tridentine Mass will be celebrated at Church of the Resurrection Parish on **Sunday, August 17th 5:30 p.m.**

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — "Stand on the mountain; the LORD will be passing by" (1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a).

Psalm — Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation (Psalm 85).

Second Reading — To the Israelites belong the covenants, the law and the patriarchs; and from them comes the Christ (Romans 9:1-5).

Gospel — As Jesus walked on the sea, he said to the disciples, "Do not be afraid" (Matthew 14:22-33).



HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST 2008

General:

That the human family may learn to respect God's plan for the world and become ever more aware that Creation is God's great gift.

Mission:

That the answer of the entire people of God to the common calling of holiness and mission may be promoted and fostered by means of careful discernment of charisms and constant commitment to spiritual and cultural formation.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE

ALTAR FLOWERS in celebration of someone's anniversary/birthday as a memorial or in thanksgiving please call Jennifer, at the Parish Office, **481-7172**. Please make check payable to Church of the Resurrection. Bring to parish office, or mail it to us. The loved one's name as well as the name of the donor (if wished) will be printed in the bulletin.



RESURRECTION PRAYER LINE MINISTRY - For prayer requests call **Marylou 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.

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

The Feast of the Assumption is **Friday, August 15** and is a **HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**.

Mass times are: 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 5:30 pm.



STATUS OF CATHOLIC FAITH APPEAL:

ASSESSMENT: \$379,000.00
PLEDGED: \$392,794.34 (103.64%)
PAID: \$352,819.38



Thank you, and may the good Lord bless you. For those who have not yet pledged or given a donation, or would like to increase their donation, it is not too late to do so. CFA envelopes are located at the entrances of the church.

We still are in need of \$26,180.62 in payments.

Your continued generosity is appreciated!

WEEKLY SUNDAY OFFERING**August 3, 2008**

Registered families with envelopes: 2450

Envelopes received: 647 (26%) \$15,079.50

Remaining families & visitors: 1803 (74%) \$2,780.00

Thank You!**RESURRECTION EDUCATION FUND OFFERING****August 3, 2008****\$3,387.00****Thank You!****ST. VINCENT DePAUL OFFERING****August 3, 2008****\$1,131.00****Thank You!****PAULINE YEAR CELEBRATION***(Continued.....with permission from the Diocese of Wilmington)***TEN WAYS TO CELEBRATE THE YEAR OF SAINT PAUL**

1. Pray to the Holy Spirit about your unique and intimate "Road to Damascus" conversion experience that the Spirit is calling you to in the Year of Saint Paul.
2. Live Galatians 2:20 "It is no longer I who live but Christ who lives in me" and study the lives of saints from Saint Paul to Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta who lived these words so inspirationally.
3. Read and pray *The Acts of the Apostles* and the letters of Saint Paul in the New Testament. Consult, too, the many helpful biblical commentaries and general studies of Paul that are presently available and will become available during the Year of Saint Paul.
4. Take Pope Benedict XVI's challenge and engage daily in *Lectio divina* so that the Church will have a "new springtime" of spiritual growth and evangelization. Discover in a personal way that "the Word of God cannot be chained!" For an introduction to *Lectio divina*, see www.valyermo.com/ld-art.html.
5. Study the Church's Teaching on Revelation and biblical interpretation in such Church documents and resources as:
 1. The Second Vatican Council's Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation *Dei Verbum*
 2. The Pontifical Biblical Commission's *The Interpretation of the Bible in the Church* (1993)
 3. Relevant sections of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* [Part One: sections 26-184, pp. 13-50] and the *Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church* [Questions 1-32, pp. 5-12]
 4. Pope Benedict XVI's *Jesus of Nazareth*
6. Study and Pray through Paul's teaching on the power of the Cross of Christ. "Preach Christ crucified" in the way you carry the Cross and the way you help others carry their crosses.

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'Pauline Year' Continued

7. Develop even more deeply a Pauline reverence for the Eucharist and the Body of Christ. Read and pray:

- ~ Pope John Paul II's apostolic letter *Dies Domini* 1998
- ~ Pope John Paul II's encyclical *Ecclesia de Eucharistia* 2003
- ~ Pope Benedict XVI's post-synodal apostolic exhortation *Sacramentum Caritatis*

8. Participate in Parish and Diocesan Masses during the Year of Saint Paul for the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul (Sunday, June 29, 2008 and Monday, June 29, 2009), the Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle (Sunday, January 25, 2009), and the Feast of Saint Stephen, First Martyr (Friday, December 26, 2008). Make a pilgrimage during the Year of Saint Paul to Saint Paul's parish in Wilmington, Saint Paul's Parish in Delaware City and Saint Peter and Paul's Parish in Easton, MD. If you should be fortunate enough to visit Rome this year, make sure to visit and venerate the tomb of Saint Paul at the Basilica of Saint Paul-Outside-the-Walls. Vatican officials announced in December 2006 that several feet below the Basilica's main altar and behind a smaller altar, they had found a roughly cut marble sarcophagus beneath an inscription that reads "Paul Apostle Martyr." The small altar was removed and a window inserted so that pilgrims can see the sarcophagus. Also visit the new ecumenical chapel which will be located in the southeast corner of the Basilica (what had been since the 1930s a baptismal chapel). While praying there, ask the intercession of Saint Paul for ecumenical progress and full Christian unity.²⁷

9. Seek Paul's intercession to be a more vibrant missionary in the world. Respond to the *Universal Call to Holiness* and the *Universal Call to Mission*. Study classical Church texts on missionary spirit and evangelization that discuss the life and ministry of Saint Paul such as Vatican Council II's 1965 *Decree on the Church's Missionary Activity*, *Ad Gentes Divinitus*, Pope Paul VI's 1975 apostolic exhortation *Evangelii Nuntiandi*, Pope John Paul II's 1990 encyclical *Redemptoris Missio* and Pope John Paul II's 1999 post-synodal apostolic exhortation *Ecclesia in America*.

10. Study and pray the classical paintings of Saint Paul such as Rembrandt's *Saint Paul at his Writing-Desk* (1629-1630), Caravaggio's *The Conversion of Saint Paul* (1600), El Greco's *Saint Paul* (1606), Michelangelo's *The Conversion of Saul* (1542-1545), Raphael's *Saint Paul Preaching in Athens*. For an internet tour of these paintings and other art works that focus on Saint Paul, see the website: www.jesuswalk.com/philippians/artwork-st-paul.htm. And see the 1981 film *Chariots of Fire* (and other films with Pauline themes) which examines how Eric Liddell, a Scottish 1924 Olympic runner, lives and speaks about the Pauline "running the race" of faith and "feeling God's pleasure" when he runs. This film is a moving commentary on Galatians 2:20.²⁸

We can explore many other Pauline themes during the Year of Saint Paul and many other creative ideas beyond the ten above will help us to live the Year of Saint Paul well. It will be most beneficial for us all to study the themes and to discover in prayer the ideas, and develop, spread, and live them.

The great French Catholic historian Henri Daniel-Rops summarized Paul's charism in this way:

~ "How close he seems to us, this man whom the Divine Light struck down on the road to Damascus – defeated, yet through his very defeat, overwhelmed by a profound anticipation of Grace – for, after all, we ourselves are still treading that same Damascus road today! He is, after Jesus, the most vivid and complete of all the New Testament figures, the man whose face we can visualize most clearly... And whenever we listen to the least important of his sayings, we recognize that tone of unforgettable confidence attainable only by those who have risked their all." ²⁹

May you and I risk our all for the Gospel during the Year of Saint Paul. And may I express my love for you as your Shepherd in the words of Saint Paul himself: "Do I need letters of recommendation to you or from you as others might? You are my letter, known and read by all men, written on your hearts. Clearly you are a letter of Christ which I have delivered, a letter written not with ink but by the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of flesh in the heart." (2 Corinthians 3:1-3) Saint Paul, Apostle, Martyr, Mystic and Missionary, pray for us!

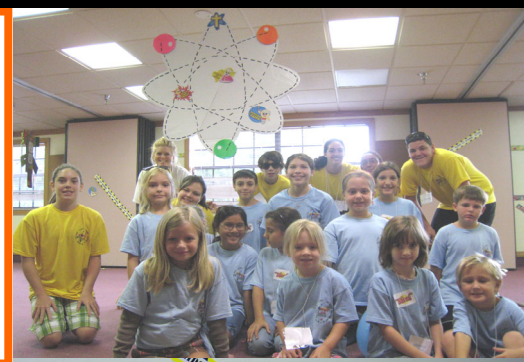
- Bishop Michael Saltarelli

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Roman Canon, called Eucharistic Prayer I, is probably seldom heard in your parish. Some priests will choose it for at least one of the Masses of Christmas, or the Easter Vigil. Such sparing use of this prayer seems strange, especially since it was the only Eucharistic Prayer in the Latin Rite for many centuries, from as long ago as 500 right up to 1970.

In 1965, the vernacular language was approved for the canon of the Mass. Almost immediately, some experimental texts began to surface in the Netherlands, and priests began to use new Dutch texts without permission. By 1966, Pope Paul VI had set up a committee to consider whether or not it was time to approve such experimentation and extend it to non-Dutch churches. No sooner had the committee been formed than other individuals copied the Dutch by just plunging on ahead. The Dutch bishops had approved the use of the new prayers nationwide in 1968, and Flemish bishops in Belgium quickly agreed. By then, German translations of the Dutch prayers were in wide use, and before long nearly one hundred Eucharistic Prayers, all unapproved, were in circulation in France. The Vatican heard the widespread desire for more variety in Eucharistic Prayer forms, and, with the pope's approval, the process of creating new official prayers began.

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Bible Camp 2008 was a success!

Our theme,

***Power Lab: Discovering Jesus' Miraculous Power*, was truly... "POWER FULL"!**

There is no doubt it would never have been possible without each and every volunteer that so generously gave of their time, creativity, and energy!! From the ol' gang that knows the ropes to the excitement of newcomers who have joined in helping to form our youths' faith... Our fun-filled finale was perfect thanks to the donations and help from Ralph Buonocore, Sarah Santiago and Catherine Pirog from the Woman's Guild, the Men's Club, and Family Circle, thank you, thank you, thank you!!! We worked together with such enthusiasm, passion and love that we allowed the children to experience Jesus' Power in so many facets.

A tremendous thank you to Father McNamara, whose belief and encouragement in our youth made this all possible. May we always try to lead our children by example as we serve the Lord and work together to strengthen our faith and grow our community.

We thank you all, God Bless ~ The Youth Ministry Team

MINISTRY OF THE SICK

The following hospitals are attended to by the parish in which they are located:

*** *Gulf Coast Hospital* - visited daily by Blessed Pope John XXIII Parish, 561-2245**

*** *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.

Priests from Resurrection Parish visit the above hospitals on a regular basis.

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

MAGNIFICAT BREAKFAST

All women are invited to a breakfast sponsored by Magnificat, **Saturday, August 23, 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM** at Spanish Wells Golf and Country Club, 9801 Treasure Cay Ln., Bonita Springs. Our speaker is Em Weis. **Advanced registration required by mail. Please send a \$20 check payable to Magnificat Ft. Myers** to Joanne Tarantino, 16550 Heron Coach Way #206, Ft. Myers 33908, 481-6967, or Joyce Michel, 3650 Bonita Beach Rd. #26, Bonita Springs 34134, 992-4872. **Requests must be postmarked by August 16.**



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CORPORATE COMMUNION

Please join us for a Corporate Communion celebration of Mass **Sun. Aug. 10 at 10:00 a.m.**, 4040 Princeton St., Ft. Myers. **A bountiful brunch, by Giovanni's, will be served from 11:00 - 12:30.** Join us for Mass, brunch or both! **Adults, \$8.00, children under 12, \$4.00.** The theme is "Back to School" as all Catholic schools in the diocese will begin the school year the following day. **We invite you to bring school supplies to donate** to local children who are in need of notebooks, pencils, paper, crayons and other items for a successful school year. **R.S.V.P. - 936-7874**

COFFEE & DOUGHNUTS

Coffee and doughnuts are available **after the 9:30a.m. Mass on Sundays** in the Parish Center.



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.

Baptismal Class, 2nd Tuesday of month, 7:00p.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.....cancelled for the summer, will resume in October.

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.

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.....cancelled for July, will resume August 3rd.

HELP FOR TROUBLED MARRIAGES

Is your marriage hurting? **Retrouvaille** may well be the answer to a new beginning for you and your spouse. It has worked for many thousands of couples. There are even couples in our own parish who have restored their marriages with the help of Retrouvaille. **The next weekend is scheduled for Oct. 31.** Call today for more info., Steve & Linda Smith, 239-395-0810. **All Inquiries are confidential.**

