

# 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  
and return to ushers or to the church office

**RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:**  
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**RELIGIOUS ARTICLES STORE:** Tel. 437-9876

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Mon-Th 8am-12pm & 1-4pm, Fri 8am-12pm & 12:30-3:30pm  
Saturday 8:30am - 12:00pm

**MAY 18, 2008**

**THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**

## **THE INEXPRESSIBLE MYSTERY**

The God of the universe is mysterious. Science has not been able to solve the mystery of how the universe came into being or explain exactly what continues to give it creative energy and masterful design. No religion asserts that it has found words to name fully the ineffable mystery of God, for no matter what name we use, God always transcends our limited ability to understand. God is a mystery to be believed, not known. And yet, we Christians believe that our name for God best expresses that inexpressible mystery: God is the Most Holy Trinity of three persons united in a communion of love, pouring forth that creative, saving, sanctifying love into the world. Today's scriptures celebrate the mystery of the Trinity and give us clues for living that mystery in our lives.

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### The Most Holy Trinity May 18, 2008

God so loved the world  
that he gave His only Son.  
- John 3:16a

#### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

- SAT. MAY 17 - SUNDAY VIGIL MASSES**  
**3:30** †William J. Coleman by Jim & Joan Taylor  
**5:00** †Mary Hartsock by Family
- SUN. MAY 18**  
**6:30** ♥People of the Parish  
**8:00** ♥Special Intention  
**9:30** †Albert Resignolo by Patty & Jim Heifner  
**11:00** †Marianne B. Coleman by Husband Bill
- MON. May 19**  
**8:00** †Wilfred Loyer by John Boland
- TUE. May 20**  
**8:00** †Dorothy Schober by People of Joy Prayer Group
- WED. May 21**  
**8:00** ♥†Living & Deceased Members of Resurrection Women's Guild
- THU. MAY 22**  
**8:00** †Sonia Halizak by John & Marilyn Eszak
- FRI. MAY 23**  
**8:00** †Harriet Mitchell by Sarah & William Santiago
- SAT. MAY 24**  
**8:00** †Cora May McPherson by the McIltrots & Musials
- SAT. MAY 24 - SUNDAY VIGIL MASSES**  
**3:30** †Ron White by Family  
**5:00** ♥People of the Parish
- SUN. MAY 25**  
**6:30** ♥Grace O'Donnell by Rene & James McCormick  
**8:00** †Ervin & Lucy Sutschek by John J. Sutschek  
**9:30** †Beverly Musial by Family  
**11:00** †Dorothy & William Goedecke by Family

**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, **Vincent D'Acunto, Dora Graser, Josephine Lucci, Hugh O'Brien, Robert Bird.**



#### TRIDENTINE MASS TO BE CELEBRATED AT RESURRECTION PARISH

The Tridentine Mass will be celebrated at Church of the Resurrection Parish on **Sunday, May 18th at 5:30 p.m.** The Tridentine Mass is presently planned to continue through the summer months on the first and third Sundays.



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

#### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The LORD, merciful and gracious, rich in kindness and faithfulness (Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9).

**Psalms** — Glory and praise for ever! (Daniel 3).

**Second Reading** — Brothers and sisters, rejoice. Live with one another in peace, and the God of peace will be with you (2 Corinthians 13:11-13).

**Gospel** — God did not send the Son to condemn the world, but to give it abundant life (John 3:16-18).



#### DIOCESE OF VENICE IN FLORIDA

OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

May 1, 2008

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On the weekend of May 17 - 18, the annual combined collection for The Catholic University of America and The Catholic Communication Campaign will be taken up in all the parishes in the Diocese. Both of these collections will focus on education: continued education excellence as offered by the national university of the Catholic Church, in the United States, and better media choices that enrich and educate our families through support of the Catholic Communication Campaign.

The Catholic University in Washington, D.C. was founded by the bishops of the United States and chartered by the Holy See. It is distinguished as the national university of the Catholic Church in the United States, with a special responsibility to educate future generations in their traditions and values.

Financial sacrifices required of Catholic parents today to provide a truly Catholic college education are enormous. All of the funds received through this collection help defray these costs in the form of financial aid. Your contributions directly benefit students from all over the United States, including our own diocese, by funding scholarships for those who would not otherwise be able to attend.

The Catholic Communications Campaign produces a variety of programming that educates, entertains and inspires the faithful. One may review what is offered each week and make informed choices that will nurture the faith of your family members. For information, you are invited to visit [www.CatholicCommunicationsCampaign.org](http://www.CatholicCommunicationsCampaign.org) to view the programming that the CCC has to offer. CCC-TV website offers daily reflections on the Mass readings, interviews and inspiring stories of faith in action.

Please support the Catholic University of America and the Catholic Communication Campaign when the collection is taken up. May God continue to bless you and your families.

Sincerely in Christ,

*Frank J. Dewane*

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Bishop of Venice in Florida

## WEEKLY SUNDAY OFFERING MAY 11, 2008

Registered families with envelopes: 2450

**Envelopes received: 787 (32%)      \$18,192.50**

Remaining families & visitors: 1663 (68%)      \$4,679.00

**Thank You!**

## ST. VINCENT DePAUL OFFERING

**May 11, 2008**

**\$1,168.00**

**Thank You!**



### **HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MAY 2008**

**General:** That Christians may use literature, art and the media to greater advantage to favour a culture which defends and promotes the values of the human person.

**Mission:** That just as she accompanied the apostles in the early stages of the Church, may the Blessed Virgin Mary, Star of Evangelization and Queen of Apostles, continue to guide the missionaries throughout the world with maternal affection.

### **2008 ANNUAL CATHOLIC FAITH APPEAL: TOGETHER IN CHRIST**

Please join our parish family by making a sacrificial gift to CFA. Your gift helps to pay our share of the cost of our diocesan programs. Once we reach our assessment of \$379,000, the Diocese returns all "over-assessment" funds to our parish for use in our own ministries. **Please join us in supporting our larger Catholic family.** You may make a pledge that can be paid out until the end of the year, or you may make your gift by credit card, stock donations, or by check. Checks should be made payable to The Catholic Faith Appeal. *(Envelopes for this purpose can be found in the pews and at the entrances of the church).* Thank you.

### **STATUS OF CATHOLIC FAITH APPEAL:**

**ASSESSMENT: \$379,000.00**

**PLEDGED: \$370,786.63**

**PAID: \$307,137.15**

**WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF PAYMENTS: \$71,862.85**

*Your continued generosity is appreciated.*

### **PRAYERS FOR PRIESTS**

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



### **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.

### **This week's flowers are:**

#### **For:**

**Mary Merendino by the Merendinos & Family**

#### **In Memory of:**

**Connie Adams by Husband, Ed Adams**

#### **In Memory of:**

**Mae, Gaston, Sr., and Gaston, Jr. Bauwens by  
Daughters & Sisters, Kay & Jean**



### **A GRADUATE'S PRAYER**

**Father,**

*I have Knowledge, so will You  
show me now,*

*how to use it wisely and find a way somehow*

*To make the world I live in a little better,*

*And make life with its problems a little bit easier to face.*

*Grant me faith and courage and put purpose in my days,*

*And show me how to serve Thee in effective ways,*

*So my education, my knowledge and my skill*

*May find their true fulfillment as I learn to do Thy will.*

***And may I ever be aware in everything I do,***

***That knowledge comes from learning,***

***And wisdom comes from You. Amen.***



*TRADITIONAL  
CELEBRATION OF  
CORPUS CHRISTI  
(THE BODY & BLOOD  
OF CHRIST)*

*WITH PROCESSION  
SUNDAY, MAY 25*

*Please join us for a traditional celebration of the Feast of Corpus Christi (The Body and Blood of Christ) on Sunday, May 25, immediately following the 11:00 a.m. Mass.*

*In honor of the gift of the Holy Eucharist, we will process with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament with prayers and songs of adoration. The celebration will also include Benediction.*

*In light of the current crisis of faith in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist, may our participation in this event help to foster greater devotion to Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.*

*Please tell your friends and maybe offer to bring someone who is housebound.*





## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

### CATHCHIST'S DINNER & EVALUATION

will be **May 21 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.** All Religious Education Catechists and assistants are invited to attend.

### REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Register early to save \$\$ and help us in ordering materials. K-Grade 5 classes will meet beginning **Aug. 26, 27, 2008.**

**Tuesdays 4:30 - 6:00 p.m.**

**Wednesdays 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.**

**Tuition for Religious Education/Middle School Ministry is: \$100.00 for one child BEFORE July 1. AFTER July 1 tuition will be \$120.00 for one child/\$140.00 for family.**

**No family will be turned away for lack of funds.**

### SACRAMENT PREPARATION

All families with children in private schools/St. Francis Xavier must register for Sacramental Preparation. Costs for only First Communion/First Reconciliation is \$25.00. Costs for Confirmation Retreat and robes is \$100.00 payable at the time of retreat. Confirmation takes place in 9th grade and older. Preparation requires two years of participation in classes/youth ministry. First Eucharist and First Reconciliation takes place in 2nd grade or older after two years of participation in religious education.

### RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES RESUME AUG. 26 & 27, 2008

May God Bless you during this summer holiday time!

### REFLECTIONS FROM FIRST EUCHARIST CHILDREN

The children who recently received their First Eucharist were asked **'How will they live Christ's commandment to love one another by helping the poor?'**. Below are some of their responses!! ~ ~ ~

**Isabel:** "Dear Jesus, If I had 5 million dollars, I would give the people in Africa 3 million dollars".

**Naomi Bustin:** "I would donate clothes and food to people. I would help them learn to be patient".

**Carlie Cross:** "I would help homeless kids by bringing them food and toys. The way I would bring them is to fly across the world every Friday".

**God Bless our precious children!!!**

### PLEASE HELP THE HOMELESS NOW!

Small Hand-operated can openers, and used backpacks are needed! Bicycle locks and bicycle lights are needed too! Please drop items in vestibule of the church or at the Parish Center.

**For Questions, call Joanne 482-6883 or Vikki 481-5144.**

## WOMEN'S GUILD NEWS



The Women's Guild May meeting will be held on **Wednesday, May 21st.** We will have the **Crowning of the Blessed Mother following the 8:00 a.m. Mass.** All women of the parish are invited to bring flowers and participate in the procession. There will be a communion breakfast following the crowning. There is no charge, however, reservations are necessary through the office, **481-7172.**

## JR. & SR. YOUTH NEWS



### BIBLE CAMP 2008 ~ MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Resurrection Bible Camp will be from **July 28th to August 1st, 9:00 a.m. - Noon** this year. The theme is **POWER LAB: DISCOVERING JESUS' MIRACULOUS POWER!!** \*New Friends \*Amazing Crafts

\*Wacky Snacks \*Incredible Music \*Awesome Games \*Super Bible Adventures... Volunteers are always needed ~ there are many ways to help out. We would love to have you join in the fun of planning this wonderful week - all you need is enthusiasm!! **The registration fee is \$25.00 per camper, or \$40.00 per family.** Please call **481-5144** to register.

### SENIOR YOUTH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Senior Youth volunteers are needed to help with Bible Camp. This is a great way to *SERVE and HAVE FUN!!* Bible Camp is scheduled for **July 28th ~ August 1st.** If interested, please call the Youth Ministry Office at **481-5144.**

### YOUTH MINISTRY COLLECTING CELL PHONES

The Youth Ministry is helping a non-profit organization, *Secure the Call Foundation*, in collecting old cell phones. The old cell phones are then cleaned, charged and reprogrammed to be used as a free 911 emergency phone. The phones are distributed to domestic violence shelters, senior centers, and neighborhood watch groups in addition to other agencies with an immediate need for 911 access. Only donations of cell phones can be accepted. Chargers and other accessories are not needed. Please drop off donated cell phones at the Parish Center. Thank you for your support!



**Catholic Heart Workcamp ~ July 13 - 18 Orlando, Florida** *"This summer spend time serving on the outside and experience a change on the inside."* This

summer **catholic teens** from all over the country will experience the power of God as they care, share, and offer hope to those in need. CHWC's mission is to empower teens to share their gifts serving others and inspiring them to grow deeper in their walk with Christ. We are teaming up with the Youth at St. Columbkille, and hope you will join us! Workcamps are **open to those that will be in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall of 2008 and older.** The cost is **\$325 per person** (We will have a fundraiser to help reduce the cost per person.) If you are interested in registering or have any questions, please contact Vikki Melchiorre, Youth Director, at **481-5144.** **Would you please consider sponsoring one of our missionaries?**

### 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.**

### HOLY TRINITY

The Father is my trust, the Son is my refuge, the Holy Spirit is my protection. O holy Trinity, glory to Thee.

*- Byzantine Horologion, Troparion at Nocturns, sixth century*

## COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS



### POSITIONS AVAILABLE

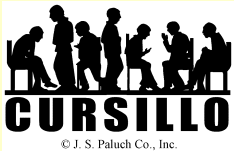
St. Andrew Catholic School is currently accepting applications for the 2008-2009 school year for the following positions:

- Language Arts/Religion, Middle School
- Math Teacher, Middle School
- Music Teacher, part time
- Technology Technician - Certified in network/server/hardware/software maintenance

Applicants must have current certification and be a Catholic in good standing. Interested applicants may send a resume to Sr. Elizabeth, St. Andrew Catholic School. 1509 SE 27th St., Cape Coral, FL 33904

### 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.



### CURSILLO CRUISE FOR CHRIST 2008

All are invited to register for the '2008 Cruise for Christ CURSILLO Fund-raiser vacation'. This is a dream of a

lifetime 10 -Day Panama Canal Cruise. We will depart from the port of Ft. Lauderdale on Holland America Cruise Line's beautiful 'Ms Zuiderdam' cruise ship on Nov. 29, 2008, sailing to the Bahamas, Aruba, Curacao, Panama Canal, Costa Rica and then return on Dec. 9th. Enjoy 10 fun-filled days at sea with great dining, dancing, singing and much more. We will have the opportunity to attend Mass each day. For further information and to register please contact Marcy at 618-301-4675 or [marcy@ytb.com](mailto:marcy@ytb.com).

### ST. FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOOL NEWS

St. Francis Xavier School is exploring the feasibility of opening a second Pre-K program (children 4 years of age by Sept. 1, 2008). For more information or to register a child, please contact Michele at 334-7707 ext. 223.



### Knights of Columbus

The Knight of Columbus will be holding a First Degree ceremony in Spanish on May 18 at St. Peter's Parish Hall in Naples at 3:00 p.m. All Brother Knights and candidates are invited. For more information phone Michael at 200-6656.

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Los Caballeros de Colon van a presentar un Primer Grado, el ceremonio de iniciacion, en espanol en el 18 Mayo en la Sala Parrochial de San Pedro en Naples a las 3 por la tarde. Les invitan a todos los Hermanos Caballeros y los candidates. Por mas informacion, llame a Michael @ 200-6656.

## 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

**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**, 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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

## 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.