

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

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SUNDAY MASSES & CONFESSIONS: See Inside

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Please notify the Church Office as soon as possible so
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NOVEMBER 11, 2007

LIFE EVERLASTING

The second book of Maccabees tells a powerful story, and a rather gruesome one at that. But central to it, beyond the horrible deaths inflicted upon the brothers and their mother, is their belief in the promise of resurrection and life everlasting in God.

Paul asks the Thessalonians to pray for him as he spreads Christ's message of love, so that he might be delivered from other nonbelievers anxious to do him harm. The apostle is confident in such prayer, just as he is confident in the everlasting support of Jesus and God the Father.

And there's that "everlasting" word again. The Sadducees, not buying the idea, ask Jesus an interesting—albeit meaningless—question about the status of married life at the Resurrection. He tells the non-believers that marriage isn't an issue for the risen children of God. More importantly, he assures them that their ancestors do live on in God, even as evidenced by the Father's words to Moses.

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Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time November 11, 2007

My steps have been steadfast in Your paths,
my feet have not faltered. I call upon You,
for You will answer me, O God.
— Psalm 17:5-6a

MASSSES FOR THE WEEK

SAT. NOVEMBER 10 - SUNDAY VIGIL MASSES

3:30 ♥†Liv. & Dec'd Members of Serrao Family

5:00 †Rick Georgeson by Lessl Family

SUN. NOVEMBER 11

6:30 ♥People of the Parish

8:00 †Dec'd Members of Hall/ Richardson Fams. by D.Hall

9:30 †Francis Maas by Maas Family

11:00 †James Brunco by Rosalia Brunco

MON. NOVEMBER 12

8:00 †Walter West by Mary West

TUE. NOVEMBER 13

8:00 †All Souls

WED. NOVEMBER 14

8:00 †All Souls

THU. NOVEMBER 15

8:00 †John Sutschek by John Sutschek

FRI. NOVEMBER 16

8:00 †Helen Koeppel by Mary Ellen & Robert Geiger

SAT. NOVEMBER 17

8:00 †All Souls

SAT. NOVEMBER 17 - SUNDAY VIGIL MASSES

3:30 †Cliff Smiley by Dean Miller

5:00 †Cecile LaPorte by Mr. & Mrs. Luigi Visciotti

SUN. NOVEMBER 18

6:30 ♥People of the Parish

8:00 †Kaye Antol by Catherine Strong

9:30 †All Souls

11:00 †William, Ella & Harry Angleson by Dona Badman

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 **Jeanne Louis, Salvatore Cino, Rev. George Perrera, Edward Curtin.**

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

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.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The King of the world will raise us up to live again forever (2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14).

Psalm — Lord, when Your glory appears, my joy will be full (Psalm 17).

Second Reading — May our Lord Jesus Christ and God our Father encourage and strengthen your hearts in every good deed and word (2 Thessalonians 2:16 — 3:5).

Gospel — Those who are deemed worthy of the coming age can no longer die (Luke 20:27-38 [27, 34-38]).

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Next week's second collection will be for the *Catholic Campaign For Human Development* (CCHD). Each year the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops requests a collection for the fight against poverty throughout our nation. CCHD invests in the dignity of people living in poverty. They do not do for people what they can do for themselves. They provide grants to make long-term changes in poverty stricken communities. Their focus on the root cause of poverty compliments the emergency response of direct-service agencies. CCHD is a visible sign of solidarity between the poor and non-poor. CCHD has a strong record of success. Their investment has created long lasting changes in low income communities since 1970. Please be supportive of this important ministry.



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 5:00p.m. Mass on Saturday, the 8:00a.m. and 9:30a.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 information and interest form to be sent to you.** You will be contacted once you have completed the form and returned it to us.

ANOIDTING OF THE SICK

All parishioners are invited to participate in a special Mass for the Sick on **Sat., Nov. 17 at 10:30a.m.** in church. Fathers Toner and Hughes will be con-celebrating. Also at this Mass, new Ministers of Holy Communion will be commissioned.

RCIA SESSION (Right of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Anyone searching for a home in the Catholic Church is welcome to attend, **Tues, Nov. 13, 7:00p.m.**, Parish Center. Focus session: *Heaven and Hell—The Study of the Nicene Creed* with Deacon Peter Fullen.

GIVING WITHOUT CHURCH ENVELOPES

If you are a registered parishioner who uses a personal check without a church envelope to make a weekly donation, we ask you to, please, be sure to add your envelope number on the bottom left side of your check. This will assist us in recording your donation accordingly. We cannot track a check that lacks an envelope number due to the volume of checks we receive each week-end. **We appreciate your generosity and thank you for your assistance!**

WEEKLY SUNDAY OFFERING**October 28, 2007**

Registered families with envelopes: 2450

Envelopes received: 684 (28%) **\$13,747.50**Remaining fam. & visitors: 1766 (72%) **\$ 3,685.50****Total offering:** **\$17,433.00****Thank You!****ALL SAINTS DAY— Nov. 1, 2007**

Registered families with envelopes: 2450

Envelopes Received: 314 (13%) **\$3,344.50**Remaining fam. & Visitors (87%) **\$1,515.50****Total Offering** **\$4,860.00****Thank You!****WEEKLY SUNDAY OFFERING****November 4, 2007**

Registered families with envelopes: 2450

Envelopes received: 821 (34%) **\$20,367.50**Remaining fam. & visitors: 1629 (66%) **\$ 4,818.00****Total offering:** **\$25,185.50****Thank You!****RESURRECTION CATHOLIC EDUCATION FUND****Nov. 4, 2007**

Registered families with envelopes: 2450

Envelopes Received: 324 (13%) **\$3,704.00**Remaining fam. & Visitors: 2126 (87%) **\$ 945.00****Total Offering:** **\$4,649.00****Thank You!****ST. VINCENT DePAUL OFFERING****Oct 29 - Nov. 4** **\$1,292.50****Thank you!****JUST FAITH - WORKSHOP**

Catholic Campaign For Human Development and Catholic Relief Services invites you to a Saturday workshop introducing **"JustFAITH"** - the call to transform our hearts and the world. *JustFaith* is an intensive and successful model of justice education and spiritual information that is having dramatic results in parishes across the country.

Our Faith invites us to some remarkable possibilities in the name of love and compassion. The vision of the Gospels and Catholic Social Teaching speaks to life-giving choices on behalf of a world that struggles to survive. Please join us for this Workshop **Sat., Dec. 1, 8:30a.m.-3:00p.m.** at Epiphany Cathedral Parish Hall, Venice.

Cost: \$15.00 (includes lunch). Phone the Diocese at **941-484-9543** or kirley@dioceseofvenice.org. Carpool is available, please call 482-6883.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING SESSION REMINDER -

Please attend training either this Wed. Nov. 14 at 5:00p.m. or Tues. Nov. 27 at 6:00p.m. in the main church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**IT TAKES A WHOLE PARISH**

Will you take a moment to consider what gifts you have to offer to continue the mission of Jesus? *Calling all high school and adult parishioners to join us.*

What gifts/talents do you have to offer?

One on one mentoring, chaperoning, photography, leadership skills, publicity, youth advisory council, etc.

Needed:

1. Leader for Soup Kitchen Ministry - Nov. 17, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00p.m. Only five hours of your time will help our youth respond to Christ's call to feed the hungry.

2. Habitat for Humanity - Jan. 19 - The Sr. Youth will be helping build a House for a needy family. Needed are adults to help on Sat., 7:00 - 4:00p.m. Can you be a role model like Joseph was with Jesus?

If you are able to help in any way, please call the Religious Education Office at 482-6883.

JR. YOUTH MINISTRY

CHRISTMAS ANGEL TREE - Anyone interested in cutting out angels for the annual Christmas Angel Tree project, please join us for coffee and doughnuts **today after the 9:30a.m. Mass** in the Parish Center.

PRE-ANGEL TREE GIFT GIVING - Last year parishioners requested to give to members of whole families and this request was met with much success. This year we are repeating this offer. The Pre-Angel Tree Gift Giving to Whole Families is available until **Nov. 23**. Please contact Nancy Gardner at 481-7171 for an assigned family. The actual Christmas Angel Project will take place **Nov. 24 - Dec. 9**. Gifts are to be wrapped with name tag and brought to the Church or Parish Center no later than **Dec. 9**.

MIDDLE SCHOOL CALENDAR:

Nov.11: Youth Meeting 6:00p.m. *"Is The Good Life"*.

Dec. 16: Youth Meeting 6:00p.m. Christmas Party.

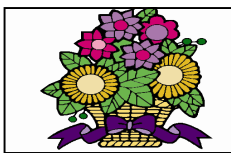
ADVENT FAMILY NIGHT - Start a family tradition! Join us **Sun. Dec. 2** in the Parish Center, 4:00p.m. Adults will craft wreaths while children participate in Advent related activities. Dinner entrees is included in the cost; families are asked to bring a potluck salad or dessert to share. **Registration: Nov. 11 & 18, Parish Center following 9:30a.m. Mass. Call Leslie, 481-5144. Paid registration is required by Nov. 19.**

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY - Let No One Grieve Alone

The Mission of the Bereavement Ministry at Resurrection of Our Lord is to be present to others on their journey through the challenge of grief.

GIFT SHOP NEWS: The gift shop has a set of books - *"Directions For Our Times"*, volumes 1-10. We also have two copies of *"Climbing the Mountain"* for \$6.00 each.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS are available for \$30.00 in the Gift Shop and Parish Office. On-line coupons too. Help our Senior Youth and save \$\$\$ at the same time.



IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE ALTAR FLOWERS

in celebration of someone's anniversary/birthday as a memorial or in thanksgiving please call Barbara, Parish Office, 481-7172. Donation offering per basket is \$35. 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:

In Memory of:

John Muller, by Wife Milli

Rick Georgeson, by Kathy, Melanie, Eric & Gwen

Joseph Bajdek, by Wife Maryellen

CHRIST THE KING NOVENA

Next week we celebrate "**Christ The King**" and are reminded that all was created through Him and for Him. The following Novena is offered to help you celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King.

Novena Dates: **November 16 - 24**

Feast Day: **November 25**

"O Christ Jesus, I acknowledge You as King of the Universe. All that has been made has been created by you. Make full use of Your rights over me. I renew the promises I made in Baptism, when I renounced Satan and all his pomps and works. I promise to live a good Christian life. Give me the grace to please You and grant all my needs, especially... Divine Heart of Jesus, I offer You my poor efforts so that all hearts may acknowledge Your Sacred Royalty and the Kingdom of Your Peace may be established throughout the universe.

Amen.

(Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be.)

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND - Do you remember how easy and fun it was to talk as well as romance each other when you first met? You can bring that excitement back by going on a *Marriage Encounter Weekend*. Make your good marriage great. Reservations call (888) 560-1854. The next *Weekend* is **Nov. 16-18** in Venice. Call (941) 962-9904 or toll free, 1-888-560-1854.

IS YOUR MARRIAGE HURTING? We invite couples to attend a program which offers help to hurting marriages. A **Retrouvaille Weekend (for troubled marriages)** will be held at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Retreat Center in Venice, **Nov. 16-18**. Retrouvaille places strong emphasis on communication techniques.

For information call (239) 395-0810.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST CANCELLED

The Men's Club has cancelled their Pancake Breakfast which was scheduled for **November 18**. The Breakfasts will resume on December 2.

The Men's Club wishes everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving.

THE POPE SPEAKS

New Families Movement, 40h Anniversary

Vatican City, Nov. 3, 2007 (VIS)

Today the Pope received members of the "*New Families Movement*", who were participating in a gathering on the theme: *A House Built Upon A Rock: The Lived Gospel, An Answer to the Problems of Today's Family*. The movement forms a network of 800,000 families in 182 nations across five continents. The Holy Father recalled that its pastoral work is an outgrowth of "four pillars: spirituality, education, a social nature, and solidarity". Your commitment of silent and profound evangelization gives witness that **only familial unity, a gift of the God who is Love, makes the family a true abode** for love, a house that welcomes life and a school of Christian values for its children," he said. The Pope emphasized that "your secret is precisely in living the Gospel". This is why, during the tasks of the assembly in these days, he said, that "besides illustrating the situation of today's family in diverse cultural contexts, you have had the foresight to study the Word of God in depth and to listen to the testimony that shows us how the Holy Spirit acts in our hearts and in our family life as well as in complex and difficult situations". In this context, the Pope referred to the uncertainty of dating couples in the face of definitive decision, to matrimonial crisis, to separation and divorce, and to non-traditional unions.

"According to the divine plan, the family is a sacred and sanctifying place and the Church always, close to it, sustains it in its' mission, above all today because there are many perils that threaten it from within and without. Divine assistance is needed that it not give in to discouragement and so every Christian family should look with confidence to the Holy Family, the original 'Domestic Church'."

The Holy Father expressed to the families the certainty that "the humble and Holy Family of Nazareth, the icon and model of every human family, will not cease in sustaining you from heaven. It is indispensable, however, that you have constant recourse to prayer, to listen to the Word of God, and to an intense sacramental life together with the effort to always live Christ's commandment of love and forgiveness.

Love does not seek its own interest, does not brood over injury, but rejoices with the truth."

ARE YOU CURRENTLY IN A MARRIAGE WHICH IS NOT RECOGNIZED BY THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?

Are you free to marry but thinking of entering marriage with someone who has been previously married and divorced? If so, the staff of the Tribunal for our Diocese is willing to examine your situation so that your standing in the Church can be determined. The Tribunal is the only agency in the Diocese with the juridical power to examine and resolve such cases in the eternal forum. For more info. a parish priests can assist you, or you may contact the Tribunal Office, 941-484-9543.

Struggling after abortion? PROJECT RACHEL, a confidential healing ministry for women and men who have been touched by abortion, can help. Call Project Rachel in Florida toll-free at 877-908-1212 or e-mail Project.rachel@dioceseofvenice.org.

Thanksgiving Dinners



RESURRECTION THANKSGIVING DINNER FOR COUPLES & SINGLES WHO WILL BE ALONE

WHEN: November 22, 2:00p.m.— 4:00p.m.

WHERE: Resurrection Parish Center

PRICE: Free Will Offering

SEATING: Limited to 100 people

*The Dinner is being sponsored by the Resurrection Men's Club
and Women's Guild.*



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Reservations are required. Please call 481-7171 to reserve.

HOLY DAY OF REST

In the story of creation, God rested on the seventh day—not because he was tired but because He wanted to give us an example of how to live. He gave us dominion over everything He created, and then showed us that work is not an end in itself. He created a day of rest. “God blessed the seventh day and made it holy because on it He rested from all the work He had done in creation” (Gen. 2:3). When God gave Moses the Ten Commandments, He reminded us “to keep holy the Sabbath day. Six days you may labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord your God” (Ex. 20:8-9). Jesus observed the Sabbath, but after His death, the early Christians moved their observance from Saturday to Sunday for two reasons: Sunday was the day Jesus rose from the dead, and it was also the day that the Holy Spirit ascended upon the apostles gathered in the Upper Room. By the beginning of the second century, keeping Sunday holy became obligatory. Members of the early Church would gather on Sunday to break bread in memory of the death and resurrection of Jesus. (Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 16:2). They called it “The Lord’s Day,” and their observance of Sunday cost many of the early martyrs their lives. In the year AD 321, the newly-converted Emperor Constantine declared Sunday the Christian Sabbath and made it an official day of rest throughout the Roman Empire. Work was prohibited. **Christians were required to attend Mass.** After the fall of the empire, the Church continued to stress the importance of observing the Lord’s Day. Over the centuries, “Blue Laws”, which enforced the observance of Sunday as a



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holy day, were enacted. Today, many of these laws have been repealed as society has become increasingly secular. But, God’s commandment to keep holy the Lord’s Day remains.

Be Realistic -Besides attending Mass on Sunday, try to incorporate the holiness of the day into whatever you do. Try to set aside some time during the day to reflect on God. If your family members are sports fans, turning off the television set or refusing tickets to a game would only create resentment and could have the opposite effect of turning people away from God. The key is to look at sports as a form of rest and recreation which allows you to appreciate God’s gift of athletic ability. If you are invited to the theater or some special performance on Sunday, it’s not wrong to go. Be grateful to God and enjoy yourself.

St Therese of Liseux assures us that “Everything is grace.” Do you have faith enough to believe that God is present to you even in the midst of a job or a sporting event, or a moment of entertainment? If your answer is yes, then you already have made a special place for God in your heart and you will find your own way to make every Sunday restful and holy.

- Our Sunday Visitor, Lorene Hanley Duquin

40 DAYS FOR LIFE REPORT

Over 300 (known) women decided not to abort during the “40 Days”. Many post-abortive women stepped forward to begin healing and recovery. In Sarasota over 1,100 persons participated, including, 63 clergy from 83 churches, our own Bishop Dewane, and Resurrection’s Deacon Michael Esper. Our parish sent 23 persons there, and 10-15 people during each of the five hours of commitment were in Adoration in our church on October 19.

God is good. He will give us more opportunities to help end the scourge of abortion.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES VENETIAN BALL

You are invited to join us and enjoy a memorable evening with our special guest Bishop Frank J. Dewane. Please save the date for Lee County's *Annual Venetian Charity Ball* on **Saturday,**

February 9, 2008, Sanibel Harbor Resort and Spa.

All proceeds from the event will help support Catholic Charities programs and services in Lee County. Catholic Charities serves people of all ages, faiths and backgrounds when and where they need it most.

For more information or to volunteer to help, please contact Catholic Charities of Lee County at (239)334-4007.

SUNLIGHT HOME, DRAWING - Sunlight Home, a Naples residential program for pregnant women and adolescents in need is sponsoring a drawing for a **TOYOTA PRIUS HYBRID FAMILY CAR.** Tickets are \$75.00 each or 3 for \$200.00. Make your check payable to Sunlight Home, P.O. Box 9194, Naples, FL 34101. We will fill out the tickets for you. Drawing will be **Dec. 18th** at the Home. Need not be present to win. For more info. phone Delores at 566-8779.

DIOCESE OF VENICE - Keep up-to-date by checking our www.dioceofvenice.org. There's a calendar of events, TV Mass schedule, lists of clergy and religious, saint of the day, and lots more.

SPOON RIVER ANTHOLOGY will be presented by **Bishop Verot Anderson Theater on Friday, Nov. 16, 7:30p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 17, 7:30p.m.; Sunday, Nov. 18, 2:00p.m..** General Admission Seating. Tickets, \$5.00, are available at the door.

HOMELESS STAND-DOWN, Nov. 17, is a day when the community offers health care, hair cuts, food, and care packages to the homeless. **Donations needed for homeless children:** Off bug wipes, kid shampoo, kid toothpaste, and juice boxes (no soft drinks). Volunteers are also needed. Please contact Joanne, 482-6883, if you can help.

FEDERAL ACTION ALERT From the Diocese of Florida and the Florida Catholic Conference

Issue: The Mexico City Policy (MCP) provides that no U.S. population assistance funds can be given to a nongovernmental organization unless it certifies that it will not perform or actively promote abortion as a method of family planning. Earlier this year, both the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate approved amendments to negate the MCP. These amendments were attached to the Fiscal Year 2008 State Department/Foreign Operations Bill (H.R. 2764). That bill passed both the House and Senate and awaits action by conference committee to resolve bill differences.

Action: Please contact your U.S. Representative and U.S. Senators Martinez and Nelson by e-mail or telephone as soon as possible and urge them to uphold the Mexico City Policy. Call the Capitol switchboard at **202-224-3121** or go on-line to: <http://votervoice.net/target.aspx?id=fcc:19040955>

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., class room 1.

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, Wed., 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.

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

Coffee & Doughnuts, Sundays, after 8:00a.m. & 9:030a.m. Masses

Your child has told you he/she is gay. There is a support Group. Call Sharon at 454-6284

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.

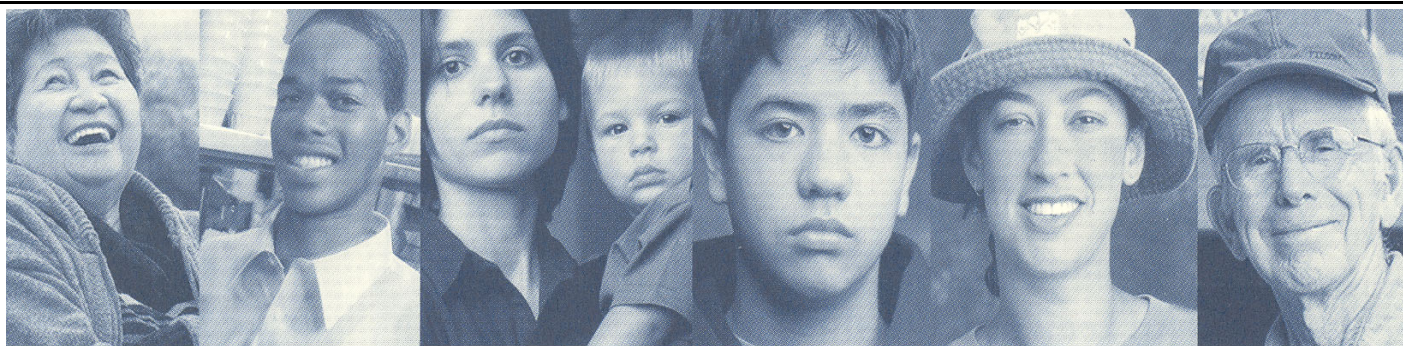
The following hospitals are the responsibility of the parish in which they are located.

- 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.



What Is the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)?

- **CCHD** is the Catholic Church's anti-poverty program here in the United States.
- **CCHD** supports groups of low-income people as they work to bring long-term change to their lives and communities.
- **CCHD** provides educational programs to help Catholics reflect on their faith and build solidarity across economic lines.
- **CCHD** raises awareness about the root causes of poverty in our country and our faith-based call to address it.

Why Is CCHD Important?

CCHD invests in the dignity of people living in poverty. CCHD's approach starts with the belief that the poor know best what they need to change their lives and their communities. CCHD does not do for people what they can do for themselves.

It is an essential supporter of community and economic development projects across our nation. CCHD provides grants to make long-term changes in U.S. communities. CCHD's focus on the root causes of poverty complements the emergency response of direct-service agencies.

CCHD is a visible sign of solidarity between the poor and the non-poor. CCHD stands with the poor as they work to change their circumstances themselves.

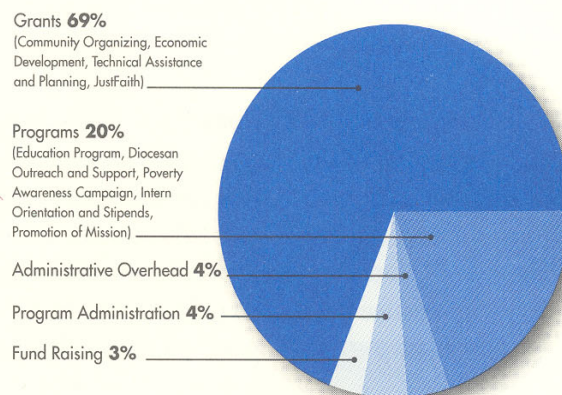
CCHD has a strong record of success. This investment has created lasting changes in low-income communities since 1970.

Your Participation Is Essential

CCHD's work is dependent on solidarity. It will not work without the support of individual parishioners whose gifts in the annual CCHD Collection, and at other times of the year, become the tools of self-sufficiency and self-determination for people working to break the cycle of poverty. CCHD is a responsible steward of your gifts, channeling them to communities where the need and the will to create change are both great. Please give generously in your parish.

Expenditure of Funds 2006

\$13,106,628



The Catholic Campaign for Human Development supports programs that help poor and low-income people to help themselves.

To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/cchd or call us at 202-541-3210.



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Catholic Campaign for Human Development

THE POVERTY LINE

Millions of hard-working Americans struggle to keep food on the table and a roof overhead. A family of four is said to be living at the poverty line when their annual income is \$19,971—but two adults working full-time at minimum wage jobs, with no time off for illness or vacation, barely make that amount. And what happens if a parent needs to stay home with a sick child, the employer downsizes, or the rent is raised?

For 37 years, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) has partnered with poor and low-income people to identify their needs and implement long-term solutions. Jobs and housing are two areas where CCHD and its partners shine. The following examples show how CCHD support has made a difference in two communities.

In Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, **Home Care Associates** channels the compassion of under-employed women and those who have been on public assistance into rewarding careers as worker-owners of a home health care agency. Motivated applicants learn patient-care skills in an interactive setting and practice communication and problem solving.

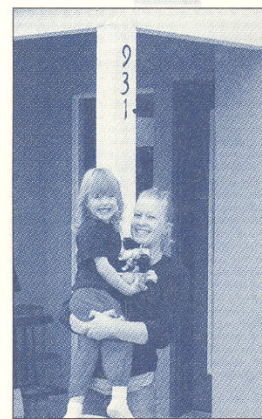


When they go to work as aides to the disabled or homebound, mentors shadow them for the first week and also conduct periodic assessments. Aides earn a competitive wage and get full health bene-

fits. They can become shareholders of the agency and have opportunities for advanced training. The worker-owners of Home Care Associates support their families and provide a vital service to their neighbors.



Housing prices in the modest Sawmill neighborhood near downtown Albuquerque, New Mexico, escalated as the area gentrified and became a popular tourist destination. Even the vacant industrial land on the “other side of the track” was priced out of the reach of long-time residents who hoped to encourage their children to settle nearby. The **Sawmill Community Land Trust** worked with the City of Albuquerque to clean up a 27-acre former industrial site and to move a railroad spur that separated it from the old neighborhood. Sawmill designed a community and built 100 permanently affordable housing units on the site for both sale and rent. Some residents operate small businesses out of the airy “live/work” loft spaces. As Sawmill “builds community,” the waiting list grows for its next homes.



The **Catholic Campaign for Human Development** supports these and other participant-driven projects.

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