NOVEMBER 27, 2016 - FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)

"The Church is holy, not just because <u>ALL ARE WELCOME</u>. The Church is holy because <u>ALL BELONG</u>!"

(Timothy Matovina + Pope Francis)

Liturgy for the Week

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)

Is 2:1-5; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

Sat. Nov. 26, 5:00pm + Mary Ann Burns

+ Larry Gabler

Sun. Nov. 27, 7:30am + John O'Brien

+ Joan Scafati

9:30am + Antoinette & Nicole Longo

+ Antoinette Marino

11:00am + Tomatthew Thomas

+ Richard Lewis

Mon. Nov. 28, 9:00am Is 4:2-6; Mt 8:5-11

+ Mary Jo Calamai

Tues. Nov. 29, 9:00am Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24

+ Vincent Mignone

Wed. Nov. 30, 9:00am Saint Andrew, Apostle

Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22 + Pasquale & Agnes Razzano

Thurs. Dec. 01, 9:30am Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27

+ Nicolina Covello + Frank Snyder

Fri. Dec. 02, 9:00am Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31

+ Warren Christopher

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)

Is 11:1-10; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12

Sat. Dec. 03, 5:00pm + Gerard Meluso

+ Barbara Clickener

Sun. Dec. 04, 7:30am + Margaret Lee

+ Marie Esteves

9:30am + Lois Schafer Schuster

+ Erin Tiernan

11:00am + Ruth Galli

+ Jeneanne Leitorale

Rosary

Rosary meets Mondays at 7pm. All are welcome.

Advent Books

The Little Blue Books for the Advent and Christmas Seasons for adults are available in the Narthex.

2017 Calendars

2017 calendars are available on the table in the Narthex. We thank Tuttle Funeral Home for providing these calendars.

Clergy Schedule - December 3-4, 2016

5:00pm - Fr. John Tarantino

7:30am - Fr. George Dudak; Deacon Roger Lacouture

9:30am - Fr. John Tarantino; Deacon Rich Reck

11:00am - Fr. John Tarantino; Deacon Ray Latour

Christmas Pageant - Saturday, December 3rd 4:00pm - Church - All Are Welcome!

STEWARDSHIP

Contribution boxes are located at the entrances of the main Church for your donations to Resurrection Parish. Special baskets are located in these areas for required National collections.

<u>Due to an early deadline for the bulletin the figures for the collection on November 19-20 will be in next weekend's bulletin.</u>

DIOCESAN ASSESSMENTS DRIVE

Pledge cards and return envelopes for this year's Assessments Drive were mailed recently. This year, our parish's "Assessment" for running the Diocese of Paterson is \$69,948. The remainder of what is not collected from pledges comes from the ordinary income / collections of the parish.

Diocesan Assessments 2016-2017

Total Diocesan Assessment \$69,948.00
Total Pledges 159
Amount Pledged \$31,145.00
Amount Received \$27,059.00

Diocesan Assessments 2015-2016

Total Pledges 174
Amount Received \$38,060.00

"At an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come," says today's Gospel. Good stewards know that they are accountable to God for all they have and are and strive to live in readiness for His coming.

. "Remembrance of the Faithful Departed"

You may write the names of the deceased in the "Book of Remembrance of the Dead" at the Memorial Wall. The names on the "All Souls" envelopes are there for the month of November.

Construction Notes

For these few weeks, the "Holy Family Chapel" is closed Monday through Friday. <u>Daily Mass</u> and times of <u>Adoration</u> will be in the <u>main church</u>.

The <u>Rosary Group</u> will meet on Monday evenings in the Resource Room.

The <u>RCIA Group</u> will meet in <u>Room 7</u> on Monday evenings, <u>and on Monday.</u> November 28th, the <u>Search Meeting</u> will be in the <u>Community Room</u>.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY Grades K-5

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<u>Scivetta@resurrectionparishnj.org</u>

973-895-4224 ext. 104

Both GLORY and PRAISE meet 8:00-9:20am and attend 9:30am Mass with their families.

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS: Grades 1-5

Praise Group (Last Name A-K):

12/4, 12/18, 1/15, 1/29, 2/12, 2/26, 3/12, 3/26, 4/23, 5/7, 6/4

Glory Group (Last Name L-Z):

12/11, 1/8, 1/22, 2/5, 2/19, 3/5, 3/19, 4/2, 4/30, 5/21

Kindergarten:

12/4, 1/8, 2/12, 3/19, 4/23, 5/21

November Good Samaritan Donation Items:

Grades 1-3: canned whole kernel corn
Grades 4 -5: canned black or pinto beans

Christmas Pageant – Saturday, December 3 at 4pm Children and teens from ages 3 years old and up are invited to participate in our Christmas Pageant. Participants are asked to attend all rehearsal sessions: 11/30 from 6:30 – 7:15pm and 12/1 and 12/2 from 6:30-8:00pm. Contact Children's Ministry to sign-up and for more information.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY <u>Linda Magistro - 973-895-4224 Ext 110</u> Imagistro@resurrectionparishnj.org

The 2016-2017 Religious Formation classes are as follows: Class time will be the same for both GLORY & PRAISE: Sunday mornings from 10:30am-12 noon, after attending the 9:30am Mass.

GLORY – students in grades 6, 7, 8:

Last Names A-K: 12/11, 1/8, 1/22, 2/5, 2/19, 3/5, 3/19., 4/2, 4/30 & 5/21

PRAISE - students in grades 6, 7, 8 -

Last Names L-Z: 12/4, 12/18, 1/15, 1/29, 2/12, 2/26, 3/12, 3/26, 4/23, 5/7 & 6/4

YOUTH MINISTRY

Email: Dhallock@resurrectionparishnj.org
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Parish website: www.resurrectionparishnj.org
Please pray for all those who will be attending the Seek
Retreat next weekend, December 2-3, they are:

Jessica Koop, Alexis Kemp, Maya Thomas, Kylie Domalewski, Julia Haddock, Alexandria DosSantos, Emily Spingarn, Rebecca Jacobson, Robert Moran, Mark Darakjy, Ryan McDermott, Frank Delane, Christopher Rotola, Ryan Domalewski, Anthony Warga, James McConvery, Zachary Saigh, Nicholas Carlucci, Dominic Pereira, Dylan Lawler, Christopher Wowk, Makayla Kelly, Meaghan Geschwindt, Eric Wagener, Megan Pinyan, Antonio Cosenza, Giovanni Cosenza, Brenna McConnell, Patrick Coyne, Matthew Fernicola, Lucas Girardi, Griffin Rohr, Dan Smith, Hanna Zuschlag, Victoria Olechewski, Anthonly Donadio, Dolores Hallock, Jen Goudreau, Ed Sefcik, Dave Sloane, Gina Gesualdo, Shana Finnerty O'Mara, Tyler Howe, Anthony Miranda, Rick Tracy, Robbie Campbell, Kelsey Nason, Alexandra Kased, Erin O'Meara, Jalen Moreno, Julia Einfeldt, Kevin Charles, Jay Domalewski, Charlie Aulenbach, Sean Seguiera, Brendan Lowery.

55 & Over Liturgy & Luncheon

The next 55 & Over Liturgy & Luncheon will be on December 20th. The Liturgy will be at 11:30am in the church, followed by lunch in the Community Room. Please use the sign-up sheet on the Ministry Counter in the Narthex. <u>The deadline for signing up is December 15th.</u>

Advent/Christmas Concert

The Music Ministry invites all to the annual Advent/Christmas Concert featuring the choirs of Resurrection Parish and the Resurrection Parish Chamber Orchestra on Friday, December 9th at 7:00pm - Refreshments to follow in the Community Room.

Advent Sacrament of Reconciliation

<u>Individual Confessions</u>: Saturdays, December 3rd & 10th from 4:00-4:30pm **and**

Saturday, December 17th **EXTENDED TIME:** 3:00-4:30pm.

Men's Fellowship

Attention Men! The Men's Fellowship, at Resurrection Parish, invites all men of the parish to a get-to-know you evening on Wednesday, December 14th at 7:30pm in the Man Cave (a.k.a. the Resource Room). There will be light refreshments, and a short DVD presentation by motivational speaker, Matthew Kelly, on *the Seven Pillars of Catholic Spirituality*. If you are not sure where Catholicism fits into your life, have questions about the faith, or just need your spiritual life reinvigorated this evening's informal and confidential discussion may be what you're looking for. Please RSVP: henry39holden@gmail.com

Women of Faith

The next meeting will be on Thursday, December 1st, after the 9am Mass. Meetings are in the Community Room. All women of the parish are welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Janet Meissner at 973-292-0347.

Sunday Sisters in Faith

All women are invited to be nourished through faith learning and sharing, friendship, food and fun. Our meeting dates are from 7-9pm on the following dates: 12/4, 12/18, 1/8, 1/22, 2/12, 2/26, 3/12, 3/26, 4/23, 5/7, and 5/21.

Homeless Solutions, Inc.

Homeless Solutions, Inc. in Morristown has kicked off its **Hand Up Movement to end homelessness**, and a generous donor has set up a Hand Up **Matching Challenge** - **for every new Facebook Like they receive**, **\$1 will be donated** to their Programs! When you are logged in to Facebook, simply type "Homeless Solutions, Inc." in the search box, and click the Like button on their page! Their goal is 3,000 Likes. It's an easy way to help those in need in our community.

Furniture Needs

Interfaith Furnishings is in great need of sofas and kitchen tables with chairs. They also take many other pieces of furniture but right now these are their biggest needs. Go to their website:

http://www.interfaithfurnishings.org/ and put in items you may be ready to discard. There are many needy families who will be most grateful.

Interfaith Furnishings provides home furnishings for those in need by accepting furniture donations from the community at large. They are a non-profit service, located in Randolph, New Jersey, and they serve Morris County exclusively.

SAMARITANS Tammy McConnell 973-895-4224 - Ext. 109

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Thank you to everyone for your support for another successful Thanksgiving Turkey and Food Drive! A special thanks to all of the volunteers from a mix of ministries who helped prep all the donations and to those who made deliveries.

Our Christmas Giving Tree is set up in the lower lobby. Please stop by to select an ornament or two to donate gifts for those in need. The collection weekend for our Christmas Giving Tree drive is December 10th & 11th. Gifts must be returned with the ornament attached by Sunday, 12/11/16. There is a list by the tree indicating which agency each type of ornament represents for those interested. The general rule of thumb is for gifts to be unwrapped, as most organizations require donations to be unwrapped. Please contact the Samaritans' Office with any questions.

Thanks in advance for your generous support! Please consider purchasing shopping cards through the \$crip program in support of this drive to double the benefit you generate with your shopping dollars.

November Requests – We are collecting **toilet paper** for Homeless Solutions this month. You can leave your donation in the Samaritans' basket in the lower lobby. In His service, Tammy McConnell

Samaritan \$crip

Samaritan \$crip, is being held this weekend. There are over 600 retailers to choose from (check out www.shopwithscrip.com for the current list). We now have \$100 & \$25 Shop Rite and \$100 & \$25 Acme, along with Dunkin Donuts and Panera in inventory. As always, hard copy order forms will be available at the table.

Please think about using \$crip purchased shopping cards to pay for items donated for various collection drives this holiday season. It's a way to generate twice the benefit for your money. This year's Stocking Stuffer order form has an area for ordering shopping cards to be donated for the Christmas Giving Tree. You order and pay, giving us the tag; we take care of the rest for you. See the \$crip table for forms.

You may now enroll directly with the \$crip provider as a Resurrection member, via www.shopwithscrip.com which allows you to order online at your convenience. Stop by the table or email Tom Roche (see below) to obtain Resurrection's enrollment code. If you want the convenience of online ordering, please be sure to sign up for the Presto Pay option also, in order to pay for online orders via direct debit. Getting you set up for Presto Pay requires a day or two processing validation; but once that's done, you will be set moving forward. No more checkbooks needed coming to Mass! Your cards will be ready for pickup after Masses just as they are for those who use a paper order form. Please stop by our table in the Narthex to learn more about Resurrection's Samaritan \$crip program and the various ways to participate. It's a way to give back while making your regular weekly, monthly, or seasonal purchases. Questions about the program can be directed to Tom Roche (tomjroche@verizon.net). Thank you for your continued participation & support!

*** From Deacon Rich Reck***

The local VFW Post 7333 co-hosts Bingo nights on the second Monday of each month at Lyon's Veteran Hospital. I will be taking donations of NEW socks, t-shirts, and sweat shirts which are distributed as prizes to the patients. Socks should be 10-13 in size; and t-shirts/sweat shirts should be XL – XXXL. You can deposit your donations in the Samaritans' basket in the lower lobby. Thank you for your support.

PASTORAL CARE 973-895-4224 - Ext. 106 cnovak@resurretionparishnj.org

cnovak@resurretionparisnnj.org MINISTRY TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Advent – the time of preparation for the coming of the King. It is the happy waiting for the One who will open the gates to Eternity for us. The long expected one who will save us. "Stay awake! You must be prepared." St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians tells us that once we were in darkness, but now we are in the light. The light of the Lord guides us from the distractions of our lives, complacency, doubt, weak faith, and sin. The six minutes a day of our Advent Booklets help us to refocus our attention to the gift of faith, goodness and light. Fr. Tarantino is available to visit the sick and administer the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick which gives strength to face what each day brings, or is the Sacrament for those who are being called Home from this life to the Father. Call the Pastoral Care Office above or the Main Office to set up an appointment for a visit.

MINISTRY TO THE BEREAVED

Advent is the time for we who are here to prepare for the coming of the Anointed One whose death makes our eternal life possible. Our loved ones have been given the gift of promised belonging in the Kingdom of God in Jesus. Our Advent booklets give us six minutes a day to not only become a time of prayer for us, but also a time of healing in our grief journey. We remember how we celebrated Advent with our loved ones. These memories keep them alive in our hearts and enrich us with joy and blessing.

Our next Bereavement Support Group meeting will be Sunday, December 11, at 12:30 PM in the Resource Room. Please bring a picture of your loved one for a special remembrance. This is a safe and confidential environment in which to share your grief. All are welcome because all belong.

Happy Advent to all Cindy Novak

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The next Prayer Shawl Meeting is Thursday, December 1st, from 7:00 - 9:00 PM in the Resource Room.

Prayer Shawls are made by women of our Parish and their friends who are all dedicated to providing, through prayer and talent, shawls and wraps that bring comfort to those who are homebound and living with chronic illness, the sick, those recovering from surgery or illness, the dying, or bereaved. We always welcome anyone who would like to join this ministry. If you have a loved one who would enjoy a Prayer Shawl or know someone who does, please contact Cindy Novak at 973-219-0919. We always welcome anyone who would like to join this ministry.

Please Pray for the Sick

John Sullivan, Fr. Ray Pavlick, Fr. Charles Perricone, Hilarion Uy, Cas Duchnowski, Rory Shaffer, Ed Stevens, Juanita Springs, Charlie Ann Reizko, Deborah Penkalski, Msgr. Patrick Brown, Kathie Cirelli, Cathy Cristadoro, Patricia Mongiello, Paul Goudreau, Victoria Salguero, Craig Brandegee, Michael Reilly, Charles Buschmann, Anthony David, Edward Paone, Louis A. Morales, Ed Moore, Eileen Phelan, Joyce Alexander Luck, Doris Dolan, Tammy Dolan, Kelly Medley, Diana Burke, James Ketcham, Fred Lucia, Salvatore Buttaci, Sharon Buttaci, Jay Paul Tinio, Walter Sella, Claudia Coronado, Domenick Bellia, Theresa Hrenko, Dorothy Goerke, Juliana Donnelly, Mildred Kazaba, and Edward Esso.

Please call the Parish Office to add or remove someone from this list.