



Resurrection Catholic Church

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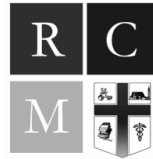
Sr. Gilda Marie Bell, Minister of Care

Mrs. Michelle Coe, Administrative Assistant

Mr. Leon Moore, Parish Council President

Mr. W. Clifford Petty, Pastoral Musician

MASS SCHEDULE: Sunday – 9:00 a.m. (digitally due to COVID-19; visit www.rcmsouth.org)



CONTACTS IN THE PARISH AND MISSION CENTER

Apostles of the Resurrection
Apostolate for Persons with Disabilities
Archdiocesan Pastoral Council
Altar Servers
Baptism Classes
Bulletin
Burse Club
Choir, Adult
Church Environment
Confirmation Class
Eucharistic Ministers
Hospitality Committee
Interfaith Community Outreach
Knights of Peter Claver
Knights of Peter Claver, Ladies Auxiliary
Knights of Peter Claver Jr. Daughter Counselor
Knights of Peter Claver Jr. Daughter Counselor
Knights of Peter Claver Jr. Knight Commander
Knights of Peter Claver Jr. Knight Assistant Commander
Lectors
Liturgical Dancers
Marriage Preparation
Mass Program/Songsheet
Pastoral Care / Minister of Care
Nazareth / Resurrection Alumni Organization
Notary Public
Our Lady Sodality
Parish Council
Religious Education
RCIA
Resurrection Catholic School
Resurrection Catholic School PTO
Youth Ministry

Evelyn Harris
Angela Barnes
Gladys Copeland
John Carpenter, Derek Coe
Regina Sadler
Michelle Coe
Kelley Calloway
W. Clifford Petty
Thelma Williams, Erma Carter
Leon Moore, Vonzetta Graham
Fr. Manuel Williams, C.R., Sr. Gilda Bell
Wanda Twitty
Salena Moore
Grand Knight Bernard Ross
Grand Lady Yolanda Sayles Robinson
Lady Lloria James
Lady Samaria Dunson
Knight Keith Golson
Knight Brandon Thomas
Airy Thomas
Erica Brooks, Linda Carpenter, Nora Powell, LaShaundra Jackson
Fr. Manuel Williams, C.R.
W. Clifford Petty
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Michelle Coe
President, Deborah Jefferson
President, Leon Moore
Regina Sadler
Fr. Manuel C.R., Sr. Gilda Bell, Leon Moore
Principal, Dr. Martha Pettway
President, Mr. Keith Golson
Linda Carpenter

SUNDAY DECEMBER 26, 2021 – THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

SACRIFICIAL GIVING: Thanks be to God and to you for your support of your Church last Sunday. May God continue to inspire us to share time, talent and treasure with this faith community.

December 12, 2021

Weekly Offering: (Basket: \$5,407.00 / Online: \$1,281.00) \$6,688.00
Building Fund \$15.00
Interfaith Community Outreach \$10.00
Poinsettias \$120.00



December 19, 2021

Weekly Offering: (Basket: \$6,731.00 / Online: \$1,825.00) \$8,556.00
Building Fund \$23.00
Food Pantry \$38.00
Interfaith Community Outreach \$13.00
Poinsettias \$63.00

“See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are.” (1 JOHN 3:1)

During this season of giving, let us remember a beautiful gift that we have received – being children of God! As God’s children, it’s in our DNA that we share and express our love for others as well. Tell your spouse, children, other family members and friends that you love them, every day! Also, pray for those people that are different than you, those that you may not like or those that go out of their way to annoy you. Your prayers may be the start of a new friendship.

THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY



The Feast of the Holy Family is a Roman Catholic religious festival falling on the first Sunday after Christmas. Although major feast days dedicated to each member of the Holy Family—Jesus, Mary, and Joseph—also exist, the Feast of the Holy Family commemorates their life together, and the celebration focuses on religious family life. Because of the flight of the Holy Family into Egypt, a feast for the Holy Family has been observed by the Copts from early times. In Western Christianity, however, a cult of veneration for the Holy Family as a group, rather than as individuals, did not arise until the 17th century and was not officially recognized until the feast day was formally instituted in 1921 under Pope Benedict XV. Originally celebrated on the Sunday after Epiphany (January 6), the Feast of the Holy Family was moved to the Sunday after Christmas in 1969, bringing it within the Christmas season.

www.britannica.com/topic/Feast-of-the-Holy-Family

WELCOME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS



Thanks to everyone who made our annual Welcome Home for Christmas Breakfast and Program a great success. The program provided by the Sunday School students was wonderful. The breakfast was enjoyed by all who attended the program.

NEW YEAR’S CLOSURES

The Parish and Mission offices will be closed this week on **Thursday and Friday, December 30 and 31, 2021** for the New Year’s holiday. The offices will reopen on Monday, January 3, 2022.

PRAY FOR THE UNBORN: The Rosary is said every 2nd Sunday before Mass. Please join us in the Sanctuary.
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Preparation and celebration of sacrament scheduled as needed. **Call the parish office.**
RECONCILIATION is celebrated before Mass, and by appointment.
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: The Archdiocese requires a four-month preparation period before marriage. A couple **must** inform the Parish Office before a date is set.
SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST: In order to receive the sacrament of First Eucharist in Second Grade, children must regularly participate in Catholic religious education in Kindergarten and First Grade.
CONFIRMATION: In order to receive the sacrament of Confirmation, young people must have regularly participated in Catholic religious education from First Eucharist until they are a Junior in High School. Classes are held the last Sunday of each month.
RCIA: Adult religious education classes – every Wednesday at 7 p.m. from September through Pentecost.
SUNDAY SCHOOL/CCD: Children/youth religious education classes every Sunday after Mass, September through May.
OUR LADY’S SODALITY meets every 1st Sunday after Mass in the Fr. Richard Administration Building
KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER meets every 2nd Sunday after Mass in the Fr. Richard Administration Building
KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER, LADIES’ AUXILIARY meets every 2nd Sunday in the Villa
KPC/KPCLA meets jointly every 5th Sunday in the Fr. Richard Administration Building
KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER, JUNIOR KNIGHTS meets every 3rd Sunday after CCD
KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER, JUNIOR DAUGHTERS meets every 2nd Sunday after CCD
NAZARETH / RESURRECTION ALUMNI ORGANIZATION meets every 4th Thursday of the month in the Villa
NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome to Resurrection! PLEASE REGISTER. Forms are available in the vestibule.

BULLETIN: To ensure that your announcement appears in the Sunday bulletin, please submit your announcements **no later than Wednesday, 4:30 p.m.** Email your announcement to mcoe@rcmsouth.org or call (334) 230-1964.

Email: Sr. Gilda Bell sgildab@yahoo.com * Michelle Coe mcoe@rcmsouth.org * Sr. Kathryn Frank, SSND kfrank@rcmsouth.org
W. Clifford Petty at cpetty@rcmsouth.org

SCHEDULED EVENTS

January 7-9, 2022	SEARCH Retreat
January 9	ENIGMA Bi-monthly Gathering, Resurrection, 4-8 p.m.
January 31	Last day to complete the Archdiocesan Synod survey
February 4-6	ENIGMA Weekend Retreat
June 27-July 15	Institute for Black Catholic Studies, Xavier University of Louisiana

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

December 27	Mirabai Shehabi-Sadasivan (6)
December 28	Pamela Chappell, Sean Golson
December 29	MaKayla Patterson (18), Trinity Smith, Nelson Summerlin, III
December 31	Vicki Maddox, Gwendolyn Nicks
January 1	Maurice Asouzu
January 3	Chelsye Leach Peck (14)
January 4	Marcus Carpenter
January 5	Natasha Broughton, Moses Butcher, Sr., James Moore, Sr., Valencia Pringle
January 6	Kelley Johnson, Jacob Martinez (12)
January 7	Moore Asouzu, Henry Guilford
January 8	Carol Batiste-Felder, Dora Fenderson, Amon Robinson

ANNIVERSARIES

December 30	Lynette and Leon Moore (49 Years)
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THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

December 26	Feast of St. Stephen, First Martyr
December 26, 1966	Dr. Maulana Karenga celebrated the first Kwanza, a seven-day African-American celebration of family and heritage.
December 27	Feast of St. John
December 27, 1931	Ruth Carol Taylor, the first African-American flight attendant was born in Boston, MA.
December 28	Feast of the Holy Innocents
December 28, 1954	Denzel Washington, actor, was born in Mount Vernon, NY.
December 29	Feast of St. Thomas Becket
December 29, 1917	Thomas Bradley, the first African-American mayor of Los Angeles was born in Calvert, TX.
December 30	Bo Diddley, R&B legend was born in McComb, MS.
December 31	Feast of St. Sylvester, I
December 31, 1972	Roberto Clemente, baseball all-star, died in San Juan, PR.
January 1	Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
January 1, 1863	The Emancipation Proclamation issued the freedom of enslaved persons.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process in which adults become full, participating members of the Catholic Church. RCIA classes for Resurrection Parish are held every Wednesday evening, from 6-8 p.m. If you are interested in learning more about the RCIA process or would simply like to refresh your knowledge of the Catholic faith, please contact Sr. Gilda Bell, Fr. Manuel Williams, or Mr. Leon Moore.

Ministry Schedule

Date	Eucharist	Lectors	Gifts	Servers	Ushers
Next Sunday <i>January 2, 2022</i>	Sr. Gilda Bell	Louise LaGrave Bryan Strickland	Hospitality Ministers	Ronnie Peters Carlton Robinson Clif Weatherly	Erma Carter Deborah Jefferson Clif Weatherly
The Feast of the Epiphany					

PRAYER REQUESTS

Marian Alexander, Leo Allen, Deacon Terry Anderson, Mary Archdeacon and Family, Kendrick Arrington, II, Columbia Baldwin, Bridget Barlow, Dorothy Barlow, Rhonda Barlow, Vickie Barlow, Barry Barber, Carey Barnes, Dakari Barnes, Alma Beasley, Arnold Bell, Kevin Bell, Ethel Bell, Lois Bivens, Elmore Boyd, Elder Leo Brock, Susie Brock, Jerome Broughton, Curtis "Chap" Browder, Buena Browder, Tracy Browder, Michelle Browder and Stephen Browder, Jennifer Tarver Brown, Katrina Bryant, Anthony Burden, Erica Butler, Tim Butler, Sr., John Carpenter, Erma Carter, Father David Carucci, Derek Coe, Gladys Copeland, Charlotte Corbin, Mary Cuffe, Mecylah Danley, Annie David, Sarah Davis, Margarete Day, Lady Yolonda Dickerson, Elaine Dorsey, Gene Elmore, Charlie Ester, Elsie Finner, Joan Ford, Helen Foster, Sr. Gloria Fox, C.R., Vivian Fox, Annie Franklin, David Franklin, Jr., David Franklin, Sr., Ida Freely, Tonya Franklin, Roneshia Gardner, John German, Terry German, Carolyn Glass, Edward Goellner, Yvette Wilcox Goellner, Anthony Golson., Michelle Greer, William Guilford, Cristina Guillet, Larry Guyton, Sr. Patsy Guyton, SFCC, Debbie Hall, Doris Hall, Evelyn Harris, Kevin Harris, Marcy Harris, Veronica Moore Harris, James Herndon, Ophelia Hill, Phyllis Hill, Wanda Hill, Ronald Howard, Jacqueline Rose Hudson, Iris Hurd Hunter, Barbara Jackson, Kevin Jackson, Veronica Jackson, Rebecca James, Mary Ellen Jeter, Regina Jobe, Ethel Garrison Johnson, Gail Johnson, Isabella Johnson, Johnetta Johnson, Roxy Jones, Debbie Kemsel, Felicia Kenney, Marie Kenny, Betty Kerman, Nathan Kozel, Frances Knight, Deacon James Labadie, Shaquille LaFond, Jewel Lewis, Rosetta Lovelace, Fay Lyons, Mildred Maddox, Ivy Malden, Clarence Manly, Betty McGowan, Louise McKenzie, Nicole & Carl McKinney, Katie Miller, Deanna McRay, Sr. Carolyn Minert, C.R., Liam Monk, Jacqueline Montgomery, James Moore, Kyle Moore, Sr., Gwendolyn Nicks, LaTonya Nicks, Lula B. Nikoi, Carolyn Norvel, Fr. William Norvel, S.S.J., Dorothy J. Ogden, Audrey O'Connor, Anne Depas Orange, Ronnie Peters, Latasha Peterson, Cliff Petty, Michael Pitts, Albert Pickett, Marvin Pickett, Elaine Poole, Austin from Publix, Alaida Pugh, Jerry Radka, Alex Ragesdalle, Anne Reynolds, Joel Rivera, Farley Rudolph, Morris Sayles, Curtis Scott, Mildred Selmar, Rhonda Shell, Fr. David Shoemaker, Tai-Kristin Smedley, Herbert Smith, Jr., Ruth Smith, Willie Ann Smith, Yvette Smiley Smith, Roosevelt Smitherman, Mary Snoddy, Fr. Frank Sofie, Valentine Spencer, Victor Splitt, Timothy Spraggins, Richetta Stanford, Carol Stevens, Ernestine Stephens, Ronald Stephens., Allen Stevens, Barbara Stevens, Susan Strauss, Clarence Stringer, Maggie Stringer, Rubye Sullivan, Fr. Gene Szarek, C.R., Carrie Tarver, Cynthia Taylor, Jonathan Taylor, Brenda Tell, Lewis Thompson Family, Faye Thornton, Sherman & Merle Todd, Dolores Turner, Judith Turner, Charles Twitty, Mary Vanderbilt, Rosalind Vanderbilt, Leon Varner, Martha Varner, Iris Vanessa Vaughn, Fr. Stephen Vrazel, Zachary Walk, Marie Washington, Michael Washington, Jemellia Webb, Steve Webb, Annie Webster, Franklin Webster, Whitney Webster, Ashley Whatley, Brenda White, Kevin Wilcox, Maureen Wilcox, Lorena Wilkerson, Fr. Clarence Williams, CPpS, Deacon Nathan Williams, Thelma Williams, Deborah Willis.

HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS: Bridget Barlow, Sarah Davis, Sheila Sprowl, Dolores Turner.

MILITARY: Nakeisha Gauntt, Heidi Hedblom, Wesley Pitts, Rickey Sequeira, Caro Stanford, Kayla Summerlin.

HEALTH CARE WORKERS: Maurice Asouzu, Erica Brooks, Anil Dalling, Christopher Fenderson, Regina Gibson, Vicki Golson, Myrtle Goore Davis, Cassandra Henderson, Barbara Jackson, Phillip Lyman, Theresa Maye, Patrice Obi, Keyla Petty, Alida Pugh, Lauren Rowe, Gracie Sayles, Rickey Sequiera, Regina Skrivanek, Jameson & Tashawna Stokes, Bryan Strickland, Ann Summerlin, Kanika Thomas, Martha Varner, Twila Wheat and Felicia Williams Smith.

PRAYER CALL

Sister Patsy Guyton, SFCC and friends invite you to join them on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. for prayer. You can either email your prayer requests to patsysfcc@aol.com and/or by calling 1 727/731-5133 no access code needed. For more info, call Sister Patsy at 334/593-9541

MASS PROTOCOLS

Please observe the following protocols when attending Mass:

1. Masks or other suitable face covering must be worn throughout the service.
2. **If you feel sick, please do not enter the sanctuary.**
3. Please maintain social distancing unless seated with members of your own family or household.
4. Each person receives their own personal missalette to keep for use throughout the remainder of the year. Missalettes will not be collected at the end of Mass.
5. Offertory baskets will not be passed person to person. A collection basket will be placed by the entrance for your offertory.
6. At the Sign of Peace no physical contact is allowed (no hugs, handshakes, etc.)
7. Communicants must keep social distancing when in the Communion line

PARISH NEWS

Sanctuary Candle Remembrance

The Sanctuary Candle is lit for the week of December 26 – January 1, in memory of **Hannah Carmel Wilcox**. Please contact the parish office at (334) 230-1964 if you would like to light the candle for a special intention.

NEW ARRIVAL

Congratulations to **Katrina Bryant** and **Andrey Scott** on the arrival of their son, **Andrey Scott, Jr.** who was born on Monday, December 20, 2021.

WEDDING BELLS ARE RINGING

Please keep in your prayers the following couples who are preparing to be united in the sacrament of Holy Matrimony:

- ♥ **Katrina Bryant and Andrey Scott**
- ♥ **Andrea Martin and Elijah Gaddis**
- ♥ **Renardo Smith and Isis Hunley**

BIBLE STUDY



You are invited to join the weekly Bible Study group via Zoom every Thursday evening from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Visit the RCM website for the link to the Bible Study. If you can get the Oxford University Press large print edition of the

New American Bible, you will find it easier to follow the class. The class is currently studying the Gospel of Luke. The class will resume on January 13, 2022. To prepare for this class, please read Luke's Gospel, Chapter 19, paying special attention to the parable of Zachaeus the Tax Collector.

THANK YOU!

Many thanks to **Judy May, Carolyn Strickland and the Sequeira Family** who delivered fruit baskets to parish octogenarians this past week. They responded immediately to the urgent request for assistance. Thanks also to **Almita Peters** for her offer of help but the deliveries had already been made. It is so wonderful to know that we can count on our parishioners to respond to requests for help.

CHURCH DECORATING



Thanks to those who helped transform the sanctuary into a place of worship fit for the newborn King - **Brandon Anderson, Angela Barnes, Sr. Gilda Bell, Erma Carter, Kendra Golson, Sean Golson, Vicki Golson, Deborah Neal, Jarvis Provitt, Jewell Cobb Pitts, Carlton Robinson, and Juliette Wimberly.**

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS

Feast of the Holy Family -- Sunday, December 26, 2021 - "He gave power to become children of God." If you think you may be called to share the Father's love as a priest, deacon, sister or brother, contact the Vocation Office at (251) 434-1559 or email: vocation@mobarch.org.

Fiesta de la Sagrada Familia - Domingo 26 de Diciembre de 2021 - "Él dio poder para llegar a ser hijos de Dios." Si cree que puede ser llamado a compartir el amor del Padre como sacerdote, diácono, hermana o hermano religioso, Comuníquese con la Oficina de Vocaciones al (251) 434-1559 o envíe un correo electrónico a: vocations@mobarch.org.

BLESSED TRINITY SHRINE RETREATS

Jan 21 - Jan 23 - Women's Retreat: Joyful Mysteries Of Miryam Of Nazareth

Mar 11 - Mar 13 - Celtic Retreat

Jul 1 - Jul 3 - Family Retreat Weekend

Please Contact Sr. Gail Lambert, MSBT, sponsored retreat coordinator, for more information and to register. Phone: 334-855-4474 or Email: btsr@msbt.org

SEARCH RETREAT

The Archdiocese sponsored SEARCH Retreat for High School Youth is coming up January 7th - 9th at Children's Harbor, Lake Martin, AL. It's a tradition based on Cursillo spanning back over 50 years and can change your teen's LIFE. The SEARCH retreat is led by teens from the Archdiocese and is a High School only retreat.

On a SEARCH Weekend there is sharing by the team members, songs, prayer, small group discussions, Eucharist, Reconciliation, quiet time and great fellowship. The weekend begins on Friday evening and goes to Sunday afternoon.

The registration cost is \$100.00. Your registration fee includes sleeping quarters, meals, and all the materials for the weekend. Scholarships are available, please don't let cost be an issue. For more information and registration forms visit <https://mobarch.org/searchretreat> or contact Brandon Bender bbender1@gmail.com or Tex Phelps oym@mobarch.org

SYNOD SURVEY

As Pope Francis invites all Catholics to have their voices heard leading up to 2023's Synod of Bishops, the Archdiocese of Mobile is encouraging everyone to share their thoughts. An eight-question survey will be available until January 31, 2022 at www.mobarch.org. The questions center under the theme "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participating and Mission." The Archdiocese of Mobile's Office of Evangelization and Family Life will compile the responses into a report that will be submitted to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). The USCCB will submit a report for the Synod of Bishops, which will adopt a final document. All dioceses across the globe are participating in the Synod.

INSTITUTE FOR BLACK CATHOLIC STUDIES at XAVIER UNIVERSITY LOUISIANA

The Institute for Black Catholic Studies will be held from June 27 – July 15, 2022. Mark your calendars and consider taking a class next summer.

CALLING ALL DEDICATED CATHOLIC MEN



Fraternus is an organization which is dedicated to mentoring boys into virtuous Catholic men. It is a Catholic brotherhood for all ages. For over a decade, Fraternus has been recovering the lost art of mentoring, harnessing the power of brotherly men and fathers, and teaching the virtues rooted in Christ as the path to authentic manliness. If you are a Catholic man -and especially a father- and this sounds like something that you would like to be a part of, come to an interest meeting Thursday, January 13th from 7:00 – 8:30 pm at Holy Spirit parish hall as we consider starting a chapter here in the Montgomery area. For more information contact Fr. Den Irwin at frirwin@ologchurch.org or Doug Davis at gdougDavis@gmail.com or 334-354-1131. **Check out Fraternus.net**

RESURRECTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Resurrection Catholic School is on Christmas break until Monday, January 3, 2022. We wish all the students and faculty and joyful, peaceful and restful Christmas and hope they come back well rested to start a fresh new year in 2022.

KPC/KPCLA NEWS

KPC/KPCLA Unit 345

KPCLA Junior Daughters of Court 345

Great thanks to the Junior Daughters Angel Calloway - Jr Vice Grand Lady and Jr Daughter Aiden James - Jr Financial Secretary who proclaimed the Word so beautifully and spiritually on December 19, 2021

Special Thanks to Unit 345. On behalf of Knights of Peter Claver, Inc Court and Council 345, Grand Knight Bernard Ross and Grand Lady Yolanda Robinson presented Father Manuel Williams a check in the amount of \$20,000 to Resurrection Catholic Missions. The funds will assist with the needs of the Church, School, Elderly Outreach and charities.

Court and Council 345 has (collectively/individually) for 26 years provided continuous, dedicated and committed service to Resurrection Catholic Mission, church, community and mankind. Acts of kindness: morally, spiritually and financially support during 2021 just name a few : Resurrection Catholic Church Rectory oven, desk shields for the school classrooms, computers, books/scanner, printer for the School library, Fulfilling pantry needs, Infrastructure repairs, Yearly assessment by Knights and Ladies for building funds, Prayer calls, Performing wellness checks on members, seniors and a vast of other tasks, events and activities too many to name.