

Resurrection Catholic Church

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MASS SCHEDULE: Sunday - 9:00 a.m.; visit www.rcmsouth.org for virtual Mass); Thursday - 10:00 a.m. (School Mass)

DECEMBER 25, 2022 - CHRISTMAS DAY 25 DE DICIEMBRE DE 2022 - NATIVIDAD DEL SEÑOR

The parish online giving link for sacrificial giving is https://osvhub.com/rcmsouth/giving/funds.

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.



Weekly Offering:	\$5,491.00
Online	\$1,466.00
Second Collection (Retired Religious)	
Building Fund	
School	

CHRISTMAS GREETING



The Christmas Spirit is the Holy Spirit that lets us love each other. Let the spirit of love gently fill our hearts. Let us remember God's gift to the world. Not just for Christmas, but for every single day. May peace be your gift at Christmas and your blessing all year through!

> Blessed Christmas, Fr. Manuel, and Your Pastoral Staff

NEW YEAR'S DAY MASS



Bring in the New Year of Grace 2023 by worshipping the Newborn Savior! Mass will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, January 1, 2023.

CHURCH TRANSFORMATION



A huge thank you is extended to all who came out on Tuesday to transform the sanctuary into a place worthy of the Newborn Babe of Bethlehem. A special thank you to: Brandon Anderson, Vickie Barlow, Erma Carter, Tyrone Davis, Acquanetta Knight, Rosalyn Johnson, Crystal Tolliver, Carlton Robinson, Lakeisha Varner and Juliette Wimberly.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS



The beautiful poinsettias that adorn the sanctuary today are a generous gift from Sr. Rita Washington's family, owners of Shore Acres Plant Farm in Theodore, Alabama. They have provided the poinsettias and Easter lilies to us for about three decades. We are very grateful to them for this gracious gift.

CHRISTMAS ANGELS



There is an abundance of Christmas angels at this time of year who help in many ways. We want to especially thank the angels who helped deliver fruit baskets to our parish seniors and Christmas gifts to the seniors in the Interfaith Community Outreach Program - Brandon Anderson, Dorothy Barlow, Sr. Gilda Bell, Judy May, Salena Moore, Rosalind Pijeaux-Hale, Kassandra Scott, Carolyn Strickland and Wanda Twitty. They all helped bring some Christmas joy to our elders.

CONTACTS IN THE PARISH AND MISSION CENTER

Apostles of the Resurrection Evelyn Harris **Apostolate for Persons with Disabilities** Angela Barnes **Archdiocesan Pastoral Council** Gladys Copeland

Altar Servers John Carpenter, Derek Coe

Baptism Classes Regina Sadler Bulletin Michelle Coe **Burse Club** Kelley Calloway Choir, Adult W. Clifford Petty

Church Environment Thelma Williams, Erma Carter **Confirmation Class** Leon Moore, Vonzetta Graham

Eucharistic Ministers Fr. Manuel Williams, C.R., Sr. Gilda Bell

Hospitality Committee Wanda Twitty **Interfaith Community Outreach** Salena Moore

Knights of Peter Claver Grand Knight Bernard Ross

Grand Lady Yolanda Sayles Robinson **Knights of Peter Claver, Ladies Auxiliary**

Knights of Peter Claver Jr. Daughter Counselor Lady Lloria James Knights of Peter Claver Jr. Daughter Counselor Lady Samarria Dunson Knights of Peter Claver Jr. Knight Commander Knight Keith Golson3 Knights of Peter Claver Jr. Knight Assistant Commander Knight Brandon Thomas

Lectors Airy Thomas

Liturgical Dancers Erica Brooks, Linda Carpenter, Nora Powell

Marriage Preparation Fr. Manuel Williams, C.R.

Mass Program/Songsheet W. Clifford Petty

Pastoral Care / Minister of Care Fr. Manuel Williams, C.R. / Sr. Gilda Bell

Nazareth /Resurrection Alumni Organization President, Teresa Anderson Woods

Notary Public Michelle Coe

Our Lady Sodality President, Deborah Jefferson **Parish Council** President, Leon Moore

Religious Education Regina Sadler

RCIA Fr. Manuel C.R., Sr. Gilda Bell, Leon Moore

Resurrection Catholic School Principal, Dr. Martha Pettway Resurrection Catholic School PTO President, Mr. Keith Golson

Youth Ministry Brandon Anderson, Erica Brooks, Linda Carpenter

PRAY FOR THE UNBORN: The Rosary is said every 2nd Sunday before Mass. Please join us in the Sanctuary. **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** Call the parish office to schedule a baptism class as well as a date for the baptism.

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 * W. Clifford Petty at cpetty@rcmsouth.org

SCHEDULED EVENTS

December 26 & 27	Offices Closed for Christmas Holiday
January 13, 2023	Resurrection Group Outing to see Jubilee, 7 p.m., Alabama Shakespeare Festival
February 10-12	ENIGMA Retreat, Holy Spirit Hall, Mobile
February 22	ASH WEDNESDAY
March 4-11	Creighton University Spring Break Service Immersion
March 4-11	The Catholic University of America Spring Break Service Immersion
March 4-11	Detroit Mercy Service Immersion
March 11-18	Marquette University Service Immersion
March 18-25	DePaul University Service Immersion

YOUR PARISH PROFILE

Update your personal profile at https://mobile.parishsoftfamilysuite.com/Default.aspx. Click on the "New User" tab to create an account. Once an account has been created you can upload your photo, and update your personal information.

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

	BIKINDAY BPCOOIII (19			
December 27:	Mirabai Shehabi-Sadasivan (7)			
December 28:	Pamela Chappell, V'Sean Golson, Emily Hurtado Morales (10)			
December 29:	Makayla Patterson (19), Trinity Smith, Kai Stokes (10), Nelson Summerlin			
December 31:	Victoria Maddox, Gwen Nicks			
January 1:	Maurice Asouzu			
January 3:	Chelsye Leach Peck (15)			
January 4:	Marcus Carpenter			
January 5:	Natasha Broughton, Moses Butcher, Sr., James Moore, Sr., Valencia Pringle			
January 6:	Kellie Johnson, Jacob Martinez (13)			
January 7:	Moore Asouzu, Henry Guilford			

ANNIVERSARY WISHES

December 30: Lynette and Leon Moore (30 Years)

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

December 25, 1907	Cab Calloway, premier jazz entertainer, born in Rochester, NY.						
December 26	Feast of St. Stephen						
December 26, 1966	First Day of Kwanzaa, an African American cultural holiday developed by Dr.						
	Mulana Ron Karenga.						
December 27	Feast of St. John						
December 27, 1992	Most Rev. James P. Lyke died.						
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	Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph						
December 30, 1928	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, Puerto Rico.						

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. (September through May.) 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		
Today	Gladys Copeland	Sr. Patsy Guyton, SFCC	Aiden and Chase	Ronnie Peters	Marcus Carpenter		
December 25, 2022		Bryan Strickland	James	Carlton Robinson	Leon Moore		
Christmas Day				Clif Weatherly	Nora Powell Mays		
Next Sunday	Denise Vaughn	Michelle Coe	The Sequiera	Derek Coe	Erma Carter		
January 1, 2023		Brandon Anderson	Family	Keith Golson	Deborah Jefferson		
				Renardo Smith	Felicia Smith		
					Clif Weatherly		

THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Marian Alexander, Leo Allen, Deacon Terry Anderson, Kendrick Arrington, II, Arthur Bailey, Columbia Baldwin, Bridget Barlow, Dorothy Barlow, Rhonda Barlow, Vickie Barlow, Barry Barber, Angela Barnes, Carey Barnes, Dakari+ Barnes, Alma Beasley, Annie Bell, Arnold Bell, Sr. Gilda Bell, Kevin Bell, Edwina Bell, Ethel Bell, Gloria Bell, Lois Bivens, Jarred Bridges, Jerome Broughton, Jennifer Tarver Brown, Anthony Burden, Erica Butler, Tim Butler, Sr., John Carpenter, Erma Carter, Fr. David Carucci, Bishop Ferd Cheri, OFM, Gladys Copeland, Charlotte Corbin, Bernadette Costello, Doris Crenshaw, Mary Cuffe, Mecylah Danley, Annie David, Margarete Day, Yolonda Dickerson, Elaine Dorsey, Baby Duff, Kayley Duff, Dora Fenderson, 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, Janice Grant, Michelle Greer, William Guilford, Cristina Guillet, Larry Guyton, Sr. Patsy Guyton, SFCC, Debbie Hall, Doris Hall, Br. Bill Hallas, C.R., Evelyn Harris, Kevin Harris, Marcy Harris, Veronica M. Harris, James Herndon, Ophelia Hill, Phyllis Hill, Wanda Hill, Keanan Hood, Ronald Howard, Jacqueline Hudson, Iris Hurd Hunter, Barbara Jackson, Kevin Jackson, Veronica Jackson, Rebecca James, Mary Ellen Jeter, Regina Jobe, Ethel G. Johnson, Johnson, Robert Johnson, Robin Johnson, Roxy Jones, Debbie Kemsel, Felicia Kenney, Marie Kenny, Betty Kerman, Frances Knight, Richard 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, Deanna McRay, Sr. Carolyn Minert, C.R., Liam Monk, Jacqueline Montgomery, James Moore, Keith Moore, Kyle Moore, Sr., Shawntrice Moore, Gwendolyn Nicks, LaTonya Nicks, Lula B. Nikoi, Carolyn Norvel, Fr. William Norvel, S.S.J., Dorothy J. Ogden, Audrey O'Connor, Ronnie Peters, Latasha Peterson, Cliff Petty, Michael Pitts, Albert Pickett, Marvin Pickett, Elaine Poole, Alaida Pugh, AR, Jerry Radka, Alex Ragesdalle, Anne Revnolds, Joel Rivera, Sara Moran Romano, Farley Rudolph, Morris Sayles, Curtis Scott, Mildred Selmar, Rhonda Shell, Fr. David Shoemaker, Joseph Silver, Rosalyn Silver, Fr. Paul Sims, C.R., 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, Kaiyan Xavier Street, Maggie Stringer, Rubye Sullivan, Fr. Gene Szarek, C.R., Carrie Tarver, Cynthia Taylor, Jonathan Taylor, Brenda Tell, Faye Thornton, Sherman & Merle Todd, Willie Tolbert, Mary Trainor, Saint Trevel, Dolores Turner, Judith Turner, Charles Twitty, Mary Vanderbilt, Rosalind Vanderbilt, Leon Varner, Ray Vaughn, Iris Vanessa Vaughn, Fr. Stephen Vrazel, Zachary Walk, Marie Washington, Jemellia Webb, Steve Webb, Annie Webster, Franklin Webster, Whitney Webster, Ashley Whatley, Brenda White, Molly White, Diarmuid Wilcox, Kevin Wilcox, Maureen Wilcox, Lorena Wilkerson, Fr. Clarence Williams, CPpS, Isaac Williams, Nathan Williams, Thelma Williams,

HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS: Bridget Barlow, Jerome Broughton, Ophelia Hill, Farley Rudolph, Sheila Sprowl, Dolores Turner.

MILITARY: Marcus Carpenter, Nakeisha Gauntt, Heidi Hedblom, Terrence Perkins, Wesley Pitts, Gracie Sayles, Rickey Sequeira, Caro Stanford, Kayla Summerlin.

ENTERED ETERNAL LIFE

†MR. GEORGE BUCHANAN, SR., the father of George, Jr., Anastasia and Alexander Buchanan, entered eternal life on Tuesday, December 20, 2022. Funeral services will be announced.

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and may perpetual light shine upon him. Prayers and condolences are extended to the Buchanan family.

We mourn because we are human; We rejoice because we are Christians

And we celebrate the power of Jesus' Resurrection; For we are a Resurrection People in life and in death.

MASS PROTOCOLS

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. At the Sign of Peace no physical contact is allowed (no hugs, handshakes, etc.)
- 6. Communicants must keep social distancing when in the Communion line

PARISH NEWS

PARISH CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY



Have Yourself The Parish and Mission offices will be closed Monday and Tuesday, December 26 & 27, 2022 in

observance of Christmas. The offices will reopen on Wednesday, December 28, 2022 at 8:00 a.m.

The offices will be closed on Monday, January 2, 2023 in observance of the New Years Holiday. The offices will reopen on Tuesday, January 3, 2023.

WEDDING BELLS ARE RINGING



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

♥ Lauren Levins & Ennis

Harvey

♥ Renardo Smith & Isis Hunley

BIBLE STUDY



is every Bible Study Thursday evening from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. via Zoom. The class is on hiatus for the Christmas season and will

resume on Thursday, January 5, 2023. To prepare for this class, read Acts Chapter 15.

All are invited to join the weekly Bible Study group via Zoom. Visit the RCM website for the link. Scroll through the slides until you find the Bible Study slide or wait for it to load on your device.

Sanctuary Candle Remembrance



The Sanctuary Candle is lit for the week of December 25-31, 2022 for all those travelling to spend the holidays with family. May they have travelling graces and stay

safe. Please call the Parish office at 230-1964 or email Michelle Coe at mcoe@rcmsouth.org if you wish to have the candle lit for your special intention. The suggested donation is \$20.00.

RESURRECTION HEALTH MINISTRY

YOGA, TAI CHI AND PILATES



Join Brandon Anderson every Saturday in the school gym for one full hour of exercise. The first 30 minutes will be stretching, yoga and pilates.

The second 30 minutes will cater to the older crowd with chair Tai Chi and traditional Tai Chi classes. The time is 10:30 am -11:30 am. All are welcome!

RESURRECTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Happy Holidays!



The Christmas holidays fill us with joy, peace and love. The Scriptures remind us of the true meaning of Christmas. God

gave his best gift, Jesus, the Savior of the World. School was dismissed on Friday, December 16 and will resume on Tuesday, January 2, 2023. Merry Christmas!!

INTERFAITH COMMUNITY OUTREACH

RESURRECTION FOOD PANTRY



The Resurrection Food Pantry is well stocked and available to those who need food assistance. Call (334) 263-4221 to be directed to a member of the staff who

will arrange for a food package to be put together based on the family size.

RESPECT LIFE



"The infant Christ 'came into our world in a state of vulnerability. He needed to be defended, protected, cared for and raised by Joseph' (PC 5). The humble and often hidden carpenter of

Nazareth accompanied Mary in her pregnancy, assisted at the birth of the Messiah in a stable, presented Jesus in the Temple, fled with his family far from their homeland to protect them and lovingly raised Jesus as his own son in the years to come. Joseph's devotion helps reveal to us our own call to show special care for the lives of those whom God has entrusted to us."

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CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

ENIGMA

A monthly fellowship for young Black Catholic men and young Black Christian men who attend Montgomery Catholic Schools (8th grade through 25 years) is held once a month, on a Sunday evening, at Montgomery Catholic Athletic Center, 5350 Vaughn Road, Montgomery, AL from 5:00 8:30 p.m. For more information or questions, contact Margie Lilly at 251-415-3871. Join the group on JANUARY 29, 2023 for fun, fellowship, food, fraternity and faith.

The annual ENIGMA retreat will be held at Holy Spirit Hall in Mobile February 10-12, 2023. MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

COMMUNITY



Written by Tazewell Thompson JANUARY. 13, 2023 – 7:00 p.m. Tickets Prices are \$25 per ticket Festival Stage | Recommended Ages 12+

Playwright and director Tazewell Thompson brings an innovative and heart-stirring score to life with this uplifting a cappella tribute inspired by real life. The world-renowned Fisk Jubilee Singers shattered racial barriers in the U.S. and abroad, entertaining kings and queens. For more than 150 years, the bold a cappella African American ensemble born on the campus of one of the nation's premiere HBCUs has blended their rich voices together to share a heritage of suffering, strength, and endurance. Featuring uplifting spirituals and hymns including "Wade in the Water," "Ain't That Good News," "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot" and "Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen," this a cappella performance will ignite audiences of every generation.

Let's come to this show as a group and enjoy a cultural outing in a relaxed environment. For tickets information, please call Michelle Coe at (334) 230-1964.

CHRISTMAS BLESSING

God grant you the light in Christmas, which is faith;

the warmth of Christmas, which is love; the radiance of Christmas, which is purity; the righteousness of Christmas, which is justice;

the belief in Christmas, which is truth; the all of Christmas, which is Christ."