



Resurrection Catholic Church

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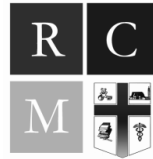
Sr. Gilda Marie Bell, Minister of Care (334) 230-1952

Mr. Leon Moore, Parish Council President

Mrs. Michelle Coe, Administrative Assistant (334) 230-1964

Mr. W. Clifford Petty, Pastoral Musician (334) 230-1961

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



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 Grand Knight
Knights of Peter Claver Deputy Grand Knight
Knights of Peter Claver, Ladies Auxiliary Grand Lady
KPCLA, Vice Grand Lady
Knights of Peter Claver Jr. Daughter Counselor
Knights of Peter Claver Asst. Jr. Daughter Counselor
Knights of Peter Claver Jr. Knight 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
Resurrection Catholic School Child Nutrition Program
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
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Michelle Coe
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Knight Keith Golson
Grand Lady Rosalind Pijaux Hale - kpcla345gl@gmail.com
Lady Rena Ross
Lady Lloria James
Lady Samarra Dunson
Knight Cliff Weatherly
Airy Thomas
Erica Brooks, Linda Carpenter, Nora Powell May
Fr. Manuel Williams, C.R.
W. Clifford Petty
Fr. Manuel Williams, C.R. / Sr. Gilda Bell
President, Teresa Anderson Woods
Michelle Coe
President, Deborah Jefferson
President, Leon Moore
Regina Sadler
Fr. Manuel C.R., Sr. Gilda Bell, Leon Moore
Principal, Dr. Martha Pettway
President, Ms. Janeen Gadson
Director, Ms. Twila Webster
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 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 quarterly in the Fr. Richard Administration Building

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

DECEMBER 3, 2023 – FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 3 DE DICIEMBRE DE 2023 – 1ER DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

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.

Sunday Collection Basket and Mailed Offerings	\$2,740.00
Online Giving.....	\$825.00
Building Fund	\$15.00
Food Pantry	\$50.00
Interfaith Community Outreach	\$125.00
Sanctuary Candle	\$40.00
School.....	\$243.00



“Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come.” - Mark 13:33

We all take things for granted. In particular, we take time for granted. We make our lives too busy. We plan our days, weeks, months, even years in advance. Remember, our time on earth is a gift. None of us knows how long we will be here. Start today and begin thanking God for each and every day. Take time in silence, every day, and listen to how God is calling you right now to help build His kingdom on earth.

“¡Vigile! ¡Manténgase alerta! Usted no sabe cuándo llegará el momento.” - MARCOS 13:33

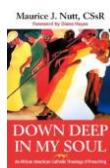
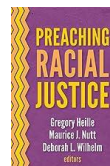
Damos las cosas por sentado. En particular, damos el tiempo por sentado. Tenemos nuestras vidas demasiado ocupadas. Planificamos por adelantado nuestros días, semanas, meses y aún nuestros años. Recuerde, nuestro tiempo en la tierra es un regalo. Ninguno de nosotros sabe cuánto tiempo estaremos aquí. Empiece hoy y comience a darle gracias a Dios por todos y cada uno de nuestros días. Tómese un tiempo en silencio, todos los días, y escuche cómo Dios lo está llamando en este momento para ayudar a construir Su reino en la tierra

BOOK SIGNING AND CONVERSATION WITH STATE SENATOR KIRK HATCHER



This *Tuesday, December 5, 2023* from 4-6 p.m. Resurrection Catholic Church will host a book signing for the book, *Preaching Racial Justice*. **Fr. Manuel Williams, C.R.** has co-authored one of the chapters in this book. The book signing will take place at The Station at 5 Points, 400 Mobile Street, Montgomery. **Fr. Maurice Nutt, C.Ss.R.**, one of the editors and co-author will join us for the book signing. He is also bringing his book, *Down Deep in My Soul*, which he will sign. **State Senator Kirk Hatcher** will lead a conversation with both of them. There will be a limited number of books available to purchase at the book signing for \$30.00 each, or you can find it online at most major book sellers.

Light refreshments will be served.



SCHEDULED EVENTS

December 5	Book Signing by Fr. Manuel Williams, The Fire Station, 5 Points, 4-6 p.m.
December 6	RCIA class, 6 p.m., Fr. Richard Administration Building
December 7	Weekly Bible Study via Zoom, 6:00-7:30 p.m.
December 13	S.A.L.T. Gathering, 10 a.m., Fr. Richard Administration Building
December 17	Welcome Home for Christmas Breakfast and Program, After Mass, School Hall
Dec. 20 – Jan. 2, 2024	Christmas Holidays for Resurrection Catholic School
January 3	Teacher Inservice at Resurrection Catholic School
January 4	Students Return from Christmas break
January 4-11	St. Norbert College, Student Visit to Montgomery/Resurrection
January 5-7	Catholic Mobilizing Network Visit to Montgomery/Resurrection
February 12-16	Catholic Theological University Civil Rights Pilgrimage
February 17	KPCLA Workshop, School Gym
February 23-25	Archdiocesan Catholic Youth Conference, Perdido Beach, AL
Feb. 24-March 1	Loyola Marymount University Los Angeles, Spring Break Trip
March 2-8	Creighton University Spring Break Trip
March 2-8	Detroit Mercy Spring Break Trip
March 9-15	DePaul University Spring Break Trip
May 13-19	Misericordia University Civil Rights Trip
July 17-21	National Eucharistic Congress, Indianapolis, IN
October 4-6	Black Catholic Theological Symposium, Montgomery, AL

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

December 3:	Leah Hedblom, Danielle Jackson
December 4:	Vickie Barlow, Thomas Barnes-Pack, Neah Belser, Davis Williams
December 7:	Julian Bennette, John Hawkins
December 8:	Kiera Stacks, Tre-Anthony Stacks
December 9:	Skylar Barlow (5), Milton A. Davis, Nicholas Jefferson (14), Collin Ross, Sheryl Young, Twila Webster
December 11:	Andrew Hargrove, Rebecca James, Jordan Patterson
December 12:	Whitney Hawkins, Janice Thomas
December 13:	Tiatay Harris, Christopher Jackson, Nora Powell Mays
December 14:	Myleigh Butcher (17), Gladys Copeland, Rhea Lyons
December 15:	Katori Stanford (13), Lakesha Powell, Alvin Thomas
December 16:	Mona Davis, James Dawson, Jo'Liam Golson (14), William Turner

ANNIVERSARIES

December 10:	Gabriela Luna Basurto and Marcelo Vargas Aviles (13 Years)
December 11:	Pat and John German (41 Years)

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

December 3, 1847	Frederick Douglass and Martin R. Delany published the first issue of the <i>North Star</i> , an anti-slavery paper.
December 4	Feast of St. John Damascene
December 4, 1833	The American Anti-Slavery Society was founded in Philadelphia, PA.
December 5, 1935	Mary McCloud Bethune, educator, founded the National Council of Negro Women in New York, NY.
December 6	Feast of St. Nicholas
December 6, 1932	Richard Spikes patented modifications to the automatic gear shift.
December 7	Feast of St. Ambrose
December 7	Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
December 7, 1947	Wilton D. Gregory, the 1 st African American Bishop of the Archdiocese of Washington, was born.
December 8	Feast of the Immaculate Conception
December 9	Feast of St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin
December 1872	P.B.S. Pinchback took the oath to become the acting governor of Louisiana.

Ministry Schedule					
Date	Eucharist	Lectors	Gifts	Servers	Ushers
<i>Today, December 3, 2023 – 1st Sunday of Advent</i>	Nora Powell Mays	Patrice Obi Brandon Anderson	The Linda Burke Bassett Family	Charlotte Brooks Helen Jones Ronnie Peters	Erma Carter Michael Jackson Deborah Jefferson Clif Weatherly
<i>Next Sunday December 10, 2023 – 2nd Sunday of Advent</i>	Airy Thomas	Marcus Carpenter Angela Fisher Hall	Patricia and Charles Harris	Miguel Rodriguez Charles Twitty Renardo Smith	Pamela Garrett Jacqueline Hudson Marivel Martinez Patrice Obi

Please note that the weekly ministry assignments, as well as the readings for each Sunday can be found on the Mission calendar, located on our website. If you are unsure if you are on the schedule, please check the calendar at <https://www.rcmsouth.org/home/calendar/>

THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Marian Alexander, Leo Allen, Felipe Altamirano, Juan Altamirano, Dcn. Terry Anderson, Kendrick Arrington, II, Moore Asouzu, Arthur Bailey, Columbia Baldwin, Bridget Barlow, Dorothy Barlow, Vickie Barlow, Barry Barber, Angela Barnes, Carey 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, Beatrice Butler, Erica Butler, Timothy Butler, Jr., Kimberly Carlton, John Carpenter, Linda Carpenter, Erma Carter, Fr. David Carucci, Gladys Copeland, Charlotte Corbin, Bernadette Costello, Doris Crenshaw, Mecylah Danley, Annie David, Margarete Day, Yolonda Dickerson, Jack Diez, Elaine Dorsey, 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, Keith Golson, 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, Deborah Jefferson, Mary Ellen Jeter, Regina Jobe, Ethel G. Johnson, Johnetta Johnson, Robert Johnson, Robin Johnson, Bobbetta Jones, Roxy Jones, Debbie Kemsel, Felicia Kenney, Marie Kenny, Betty Kerman, Frances Knight, Deacon James Labadie, Shaquille LaFond, Jewel Lewis, Rosetta Lovelace, Fay Lyons, Mildred Maddox, Ivy Malden, Clarence Manly, Ayanna Marshall, Lynlee Faith McDonald, 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., Shawntice Moore, Gwendolyn Nicks, LaTonya Nicks, Carolyn Norvel, Fr. William Norvel, S.S.J., David Ogden, Dorothy J. Ogden, Audrey O'Connor, Jeanette Penney, Alnita Peters, Ronnie Peters, Latasha Peterson, Cliff Petty, Michael Pitts, Albert Pickett, Marvin Pickett, Elaine Poole, Alaida Pugh, AR, Jerry Radka, Alex Ragesdalle, Anne Reynolds, Trinity Richards, Joel Rivera, Gavin Roeder, 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, Shirley Smith, Willie Ann Smith, Yvette Smiley Smith, Mary Snoddy, Fr. Frank Sofie, Valentine Spencer, Victor Splitt, Richetta Stanford, Carol Stevens, Ernestine Stephens, Ronald Stephens, Allen Stevens, Barbara Stevens, Susan Strauss, Kaiyan Street, Maggie Stringer, Rubye Sullivan, Fr. Gene Szarek, C.R., Mel Tardy, Sr., Carrie Tarver, Cynthia Taylor, Jonathan Taylor, Brenda Tell, Airy Thomas, Faye Thornton, Sherman & Merle Todd, Willie Tolbert, Thomas Tolliver, Mary Trainor, Saint Trevel, Judith Turner, Charles Twitty, Wanda Twitty, Mary Vanderbilt, Rosalind Vanderbilt, Leon Varner, Denise Vaughn, Ray Vaughn, Iris Vanessa Vaughn, Fr. Stephen Vrazel, Zachary Walk, Marie Washington, Marya Washington, Gemellia Webb, Steve Webb, Annie Webster, Franklin Webster, Whitney Webster, Fr. Tom Weise, Ashley Whatley, Brenda White, Molly White, Kevin Wilcox, Kevin Barry Wilcox, Maureen Wilcox, Lorena Wilkerson, Isaac Williams, Nathan Williams, Thelma Williams.

HOMEBOUND PARISHIONERS: Marion Alexander, Bridget Barlow, Jerome Broughton, Ophelia Hill, Pat and John German, Jeanette Penney, Farley Rudolph, Sheila Sprowl.

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

MASS PROTOCOLS

Observe the following protocols when attending Mass:

1. Masks or other suitable face covering may 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. At the Sign of Peace, no physical contact is allowed (no hugs, handshakes, etc.)

PARISH NEWS

OUR LADY SODALITY MEET & GREET

Our Lady Sodality will hold a "Meet and Greet" after Mass **TODAY** Sunday, December 3, 2023 in the Fr. Richard Administration Building. All ladies of the parish are invited.

WEDDING BELLS ARE RINGING



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

- ♥ **Lauren Levins & Ennis Harvey**
- ♥ **Molly Strickland and Christian Waugh (12/30/23)**

BIBLE STUDY



The next class is **Thursday, December 7, 2023**. All are invited to join the weekly Bible Study group via Zoom. Visit the RCM website for the link. The current topic is "Women in the Bible". Thus far, we have discussed Sarah and Hagar, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of Jesus, the Samaritan woman, Deborah, the sisters of Lazarus, Martha and Mary, Delilah, Rahab and Miriam.

Sanctuary Candle Remembrance



The Sanctuary Candle is lit for the week of December 3-9, 2023 as we begin the Advent season, that we may remember sacredness of this season. 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.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Friday, December 8, 2023 is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception which is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be celebrated with the school community at 10:00 a.m. and in the evening at 6:00 p.m.

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

In 1854, Pope Pius IX's solemn declaration, "Ineffabilis Deus," clarified with finality the long-held belief of the Church that Mary was conceived free from original sin. Mary was granted this extraordinary privilege because of Her unique role in history as the Mother of God. That is, she received the gift of salvation in Christ from the very moment of her conception.

Even though Mary is unique in all humanity for being born without sin, she is held up by the Church as a model for all humanity in Her holiness and Her purity in her willingness to accept the Plan of God for her.

Every person is called to recognize and respond to God's call to their own vocation in order to carry out God's plan for their life and fulfill the mission prepared for them since before the beginning of time. Mary's "Let it be done to me according to Thy Word," in response of the Angel Gabriel's greeting, is the response required of all Christians to God's Plan.

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is a time to celebrate the great joy of God's gift to humanity in Mary, and to recognize with greater clarity, the truth that each and every human being has been created by God to fulfill a particular mission that he and only he can fulfill.

"The word of the Lord came to me thus: "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appointed you." (Jeremiah 1:5-6)

<https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/saint/solemnity-of-the-immaculate-conception-of-the-blessed-virgin>

DECEMBER GRADUATION



Congratulations to **Delores Coe** who will graduate from AUM's School of Education on Saturday, December 9, 2003 with a degree in Early Childhood Education. The Coe family invites you to join them next Sunday from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. in the Father Richard Administration Building for a cocktail hour to celebrate with Delores.

S.A.L.T. (SENIOR ADULTS LIVING TRIUMPHANTLY)



The next S.A.L.T. gathering will be next **Wednesday, December 13** from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00

p.m. in the Fr. Richard Administration Building. The group will enjoy a delicious meal prepared by the Child Nutrition staff as well as fellowship, and games.

If you would like to contribute towards the S.A.L.T. program, a gift list has been created on Amazon to purchase candy and gifts for the participants. Visit www.amazon.com/registries/guest-view/14AWBGKTVFT5Q

Please make sure to contact Sr. Gilda Bell to reserve your place and for more information at (334) 230-1952 or gbell@rcmsouth.org.

INTERFAITH COMMUNITY OUTREACH THANKSGIVING BAGS!

Thank you again to everyone who has donated bags to the Food Pantry. The Monday after Thanksgiving we received eleven calls for emergency food assistance. Those bags are so easy to fill and makes the job of helping our neighbors so much easier.

On another note, the young mother who has been riding the bus to receive food assistance came in the Wednesday before Thanksgiving. We gave her the cart that was donated by one of our parishioners filled to the brim with food, including a turkey. She was really surprised and elated with the gift of the cart as well as the food. Your generosity truly makes a difference to people who need help from this Mission Center.

ANGEL TREE

Angel Tree information will be posted in next week's bulletin.

We still need volunteers. Shifts are M-F, 10:00-12:00 noon. Duties include taking

phone calls, assessing need based on family size and filling food orders. Please contact Michelle Coe at (334) 230-1964 or email mcoe@rcmsouth.org if you can help.



KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER AND LADIES AUXILIARY

HOPE

Romans 15:13

Now the God of hope

fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Spirit.

save the date

Joint hybrid KPC/KPCLA meeting next Sunday, December 10th after mass in the Administration Building and via zoom @11:00.

RESPECT LIFE

"The Gospel of Life recognizes the full range of threats against human life from poverty and malnutrition to murder and war. Particular emphasis, however, is placed on threats to life at its beginning and end - precisely when it is most in need of protection. In modern times, children in their mothers' wombs and those approaching the end of their lives are certainly among the 'least of these' in our world's estimation." ~ USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

We pray for all the faithful that the Lord may help us build a culture of life in vigilant expectation of his return.

COMMUNITY

INTERFAITH NATIVITY

The 18th Annual Interfaith Nativity Exhibit, sponsored by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, will be held November 29 – December 3 from 1-9 p.m. daily at Grace Episcopal Church, 906 Pike Road. All are welcome.