

## **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)

# JANUARY 7, 2024 – THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 7 DE ENERO DE 2024 - EPIFANÍA 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.

Sunday Collection Basket and Mailed Offerings	\$5,744.00
Christmas Offering	\$50.00
Online Giving	\$2,575.00
Building Fund	\$65.00
Food Pantry	
Poinsettias	\$10.00
Sanctuary Candle	\$20.00
School	



"They fell down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." - Matthew 2:11 - Notice the order of events in the Magi's visit. First, they knelt before Jesus and prayed to Him. Then they presented Him with their gifts. We, too, must take time to pray before we present our gifts to the Lord. We never know what God may be asking us to share!

"Y postrándose lo adoraron; y abriendo sus tesoros le presentaron obsequios de oro, incienso y mirra". - Mateo 2:11 - Observe el orden de los eventos en la visita de los Reyes Magos.Primero, se arrodillaron ante Jesús y lo adoraron.Luego le presentaron sus obsequios.Nosotros también debemos tomar tiempo para orar antes de presentarle nuestros obsequios al Señor.¡No sabemos lo que Dios nos puede pedir que compartamos!.

#### WHAT IS THE SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY?



On this feast, the Church celebrates the manifestation (epiphany) of Christ to the Nations (Gentiles) in the persons of the Magi—also known as the Wise Men or the Three Kings. In earlier times, this feast combined two other manifestations, that which took place at the Lord's Baptism, and that which took place in Cana at the Wedding feast. This is still the custom in Eastern Christianity.

Although the date of the Epiphany on the General Calendar of the Church is January 6th, in the United States and some other countries it is celebrated on the Sunday after January 1st so more Catholics can participate. Thus, in 2024 the Solemnity of the Epiphany is Sunday, January 7.

#### WELCOME

Welcome to two very special groups who join us in worship today. The mission of *Catholic Mobilizing Network*, based in Washington, DC, is to bring an end to the death penalty throughout the United States and to promote restorative justice. The group has spent the last couple of days exploring the area, learning about the history here and helping to bring context to their work.

Staff and students from St. Norbert College in DePere, Wisconson are studying Black Theology, under the tutelage of Dr. Craig Ford. As part of their studies they are participating in a Civil Rights Tour, encompassing Birmingham, Montgomery, Selma, and Tuskegee. Accompanying Dr. Ford are Derek Elkins (Staff Leader), Drew Anderson-Braun, Taylor Collard, Katie Dutton, Mira Handley, Emma Hanson, Brianna Hernandez, Shamus McMahon, Bridget O'Toole, Evan Paque, Abigail Prudlow, Scottlyn Roemhild, Lucia Sanchez and Kayla Starnes.

#### CONTACTS IN THE PARISH AND MISSION CENTER

Apostles of the ResurrectionEvelyn HarrisApostolate for Persons with DisabilitiesAngela BarnesArchdiocesan Pastoral CouncilGladys Copeland

Altar ServersJohn Carpenter, Derek CoeBaptism ClassesRegina SadlerBulletinMichelle CoeBurse ClubKelley CallowayChoir, AdultW. Clifford Petty

Church EnvironmentThelma Williams, Erma CarterConfirmation ClassLeon Moore, Vonzetta Graham

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

Hospitality Committee Wanda Twitty
Interfaith Community Outreach Michelle Coe

Knights of Peter Claver Grand Knight Grand Knight Carlton Robinson

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KPCLA, Vice Grand Lady

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Knights of Peter Claver Asst. Jr. Daughter Counselor

Knights of Peter Claver Jr. Knight Commander

Knight Clif Weatherly

**Lectors** Airy Thomas

Liturgical Dancers Erica Brooks, Linda Carpenter, Nora Powell May

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, Ms. Janeen Gadson

 Resurrection Catholic School Child Nutrition Program
 Director, Ms. Twila Webster

Youth Ministry Brandon Anderson, Erica Brooks, Linda Carpenter

**PRAY FOR THE UNBORN:** The Rosary is said every 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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** <u>later</u> <u>than</u> **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

Catholic Mobilizing Network Visit to Montgomery/Resurrection

January 6-11	St. Norbert College, Student Visit to Montgomery/Resurrection
January 10	RCIA class, 6 p.m., Fr. Richard Administration Building
January 11	Weekly Bible Study via Zoom, 6:00-7:30 p.m.
January 10	S.A.L.T. Gathering, 10 a.m., Fr. Richard Administration Building
February 12-16	Catholic Theological University Civil Rights Pilgrimage
February 23-25	Archdiocesan Catholic Youth Conference, Perdido Beach, AL
February 24	KPCLA Youth Workshop, School Gym
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 9-16	Marquette University Spring Break Trip
March 24-30	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

January 7:	Moore Asouzu.	Llaner	Guilford
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January 8: Carol Batiste-Felder, Dora Fenderson, Amon Robinson

**January 10:** Cytrus Rudolph, III (13)

January 11: Alexander Buchanan, Miles Henderson January 12: London Rudolph (11), Vanessa Stacks

January 13: Daniel Jones
January 14: Leon Moore, Jr.
January 15: Linda Carpenter

January 5-7

**January 16:** Liam Coe (6), Emma Evelyn Harris, Jacqueline Montgomery

**January 17:** Jina DuVernay, Adrienne Henry, Salena Moore

**January 18:** Princeton Barlow (14), Diane Johnson

**January 19:** Zoe Bassett-Dejarnett (14)

January 20: Phyllis Hall, Lucious Harris, Devon Hedblom, Kamryn Jackson, Carletta Rocker-Schmid

# MNNIVERSARIES

January 7:	Martha and Leon Varner (42 Years)
January 11:	Berniece and William Guilford (21 Years)
January 16:	Audrienna and Johnny Brannon (3 Years)

## THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

January 7, 1955	Marian Anderson, 1 <sup>st</sup> African American to perform at the Metropolitan Opera.
January 8	Feast of the Baptism of the Lord
January 8, 1811	Charles Deslondes led the Louisiana slave revolt.
January 9, 1866	Fisk University convened its first classes in Nashville, TN.
January 10	Feast of Pope St. Miltiades
January 10, 1866	The Georgia Equal Rights Association organized in Augusta, GA.

January 11, 1971 Mary J. Blige, R&B singer, was born in Bronx, NY.

**January 12, 1948** The Supreme Court ruled that African Americans may study law in Oklahoma.

**January 12, 1957** The Southern Christian Leadership Conference was founded.

**January 13** Feast of St. Hilary

**January 13, 1869** The first Black labor convention was held in Washington, DC.

January 13, 1990 L. Douglas Wilder of Virginia became the first elected African American governor since

Reconstruction.

Ministry Schedule						
Date	Eucharist	Lectors	Gifts	Servers	Ushers	
Today,	Maggie Stringer	Rosalind Pijeaux Hale	Ava Stanford and	Nora Powell Mays	Michael Jackson	
January 7, 2024		Katrina Scott	Katori Stanford	Charles Twitty	Deborah Jefferson	
<ul><li>Feast of the</li></ul>				Erin-Michael Tyler	Barbara Parker	
Epiphany					Clif Weatherly	
Next Sunday	Farrish Danley	Milton Davis	Samuel Guadalupe	Pamela Garrett	Daniel Jones	
January 14, 2024		Marcus Carpenter	Miguel Rodriguez	Jacqueline Hudson	Collin Ross	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in			Renardo Smith	Marivel Martinez		
Ordinary Time				Patrice Obi		

## 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, Mecylah Danley, Annie David, Margarete Day, Yolonda Dickerson, Jack Diez, Elaine Dorsey, Elsie Finner, Joan Ford, Helen Foster, Sr. Gloria Fox, C.R., Annie Franklin, David Franklin, Jr., David Franklin, Sr., 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, 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, 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 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., Shawntrice 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, Beverly Elaine Summerlin, 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, Jemellia 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, Nathan Willkie.

## 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

# Sanctuary Candle Remembrance



The Sanctuary Candle is lit for the week of January 7-13, 2024 for our young people who are preparing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation in March. Call the Parish office at 230-1964 or Michelle email Coe mcoe@rcmsouth.org if you wish to have the candle lit for your special intention. The

## 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

suggested donation is \$20.00.

## **BIBLE STUDY**



The next class is this **Thursday**, January 11, 2024. 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, Miriam, Abigail and Ruth. We will be studying Makeda, the Queen of Sheba. To prepare, read 1 Kings 10 and 2 Chronicles 9.

## **CONFIRMATION**



Ten young people in the parish are preparing to receive the sacrament of Confirmation in 2024. The Archbishop will confer this sacrament on Sunday, March 17, 2024. Please keep in your

prayers, the following: Alexandria Brooks, Angel Calloway, Jaden Davis, Andrew Hargrove, Maddison Morgan, Chandler Ross, Collin Ross, Eliza Sequiera, Sophie Sequeira, and Erin-Michael Tyler.

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

The next S.A.L.T. gathering will be Wednesday, January 31, 2024 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/gl/guestview/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.

## KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER AND LADIES AUXILIARY



"Therefore, if any man be in Christ Jesus, he is a new creation. Old things are passed away, behold all things are become new."

## **REMINDERS**

Father Manuel Williams Court 345 will dress out in observance of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day next Sunday, January 14, 2024.

> KPCLA Zoom Meeting next Sunday, January 14, 2024 @ 2:00



**Knights of Peter Claver & Ladies Auxiliary** Mardi Gras Ball Friday, January 26, 2024, 8:00-12:00 **Resurrection School Auditorium** 2815 Forbes Drive **Attire: After-five** Tickets: \$50 See any Knight or Lady for tickets.

# KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER SUPERBOWL 2024 **BBQ FUNDRAISER**



The Knights of Council 345 is their holding annual Superbowl BBQ Fundraiser on Saturday, February 10 and Sunday, February 11. Slabs are \$25.00 each: Chicken Wings are \$25.00 for a pan of

wings. Wings are available for preorders only. They can be picked up on Saturday between 3-6 p.m. and Sunday after Mass. Call Knight Derek Coe at (334) 303-5622 or Knight Keith Golson at (334) 868-9404. Proceeds from this sale will benefit Resurrection **Catholic Missions** 

#### RESPECT LIFE

"Through the incarnation and birth of Christ, God reveals to us the dignity of all human life. Human life, as a gift of God, is sacred and inviolable. The Son of God has united himself with every human being and desires for us to share eternal life with him. Each of us is made in the image and likeness of God and we reflect his glory in the world." ~ USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities - "The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary

We pray on this feast of the Epiphany that we may be given the grace to always see in others the face of Christ our Savior..

## **COMMUNITY**

## MARTIN LUTHER KING EVENT



The National Center for the Study of Civil Rights and African-American Culture at Alabama State University will observe the 95th Birthday of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on Thursday, January 11, 2024 at 11:00 a.m.. at the Montgomery Interpretive

Center, 1521 Harris Way, Montgomery, AL 36106. The theme is "The Making of a Civil Rights Leader: Martin Luther King, Jr. during his Montgomery Years 1954-1960. There will be reflections from former church members, neighbors, friends and key associates.

## **CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**

# INSTITUTE FOR BLACK CATHOLIC **STUDIES 2024**

