



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 28, 2025 – THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH
28 DE DICIEMBRE DE 2025 – FESTIVIDAD DE LA SAGRADA FAMILIA DE JESÚS, MARÍA Y JOSÉ



The parish online giving link for sacrificial giving is <https://osvhub.com/rcmsouth/giving/funds> or click the QR code.

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:	\$ 4,294.00
Christmas Offering	\$425.00
Online	\$ 860.98
Second Collection: Retired Religious	\$ 135.58
Building Fund	\$ 135.00
Food Pantry.....	\$45.00
School.....	\$20.00



OFFICE CLOSURES



The Parish, School and Mission Offices will be closed on Thursday and Friday, January 1 and 2, 2026 to observe the New Year of Grace 2026. All offices will reopen on Monday, January 5, 2026.

NEW YEAR'S DAY MASS

New Year's Day Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m.

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH



Nothing distinguished the ordinary couple who crossed the vast, crowded court of the Temple in Jerusalem. Joseph and Mary had come from Galilee to perform two rituals ordered by Law, including presenting Jesus at the Temple in Jerusalem. The Holy Family returned to Nazareth, where “the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom.” They serve as an example of a family where love is of the upmost importance. Let us take a moment to reflect on our childhood memories and give

thanks for a time when we lived in families filled with joy, tenderness and good examples. Young people, aged 14-20: relish the experience of being surrounded by a family that loves you.

Let us pray to the Holy Family for all the families of the world. Many families are experiencing all kinds of suffering and difficulties. May all families have the peace and joy necessary to unite them in love.

<https://www1.cnd-m.org/en/december-31-feast-of-the-holy-family-january-1-2024-solemnity-of-mary-the-holy-mother-of-god/>

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/Worship Aid
- 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
- 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.

- Evelyn Harris
- Angela Barnes
- Gladys Copeland
- Keith Golson, Leon Moore
- 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
- Michelle Coe
- Grand Knight W. Clifford Petty
- Knight Carlton Robinson
- Grand Lady Rosalind Pijeaux Hale - kpcla345gl@gmail.com
- Lady Pamela Garrett
- Lady Melvetta Leach-Peck
- Lady Daphne Hawkins
- Knight Clif 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

- Michelle Coe
- President, Tina Golson
- President, Leon Moore
- Regina Sadler
- Fr. Manuel C.R., Sr. Gilda Bell, Leon Moore
- Principal, Dr. Teisha Pessoa

- Manager, Ms. Twila Webster
- Brandon Anderson, Erica Brooks, Linda Carpenter

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 parishoffice@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

January 1, 2026	New Year's Day – Parish, Mission and School offices closed.
January 4	Our Lady Sodality Monthly Meeting, Fr. Richard Administration Building, After Mass
January 4	Children's Liturgy of the Word
January 5	RCS Students return after the Christmas Break
January 8	Weekly Bible Study Class, 6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
January 10	KPC/KPCLA Gulf Coast Joint Board Meeting, Fr. Richard Admin Building, 10:00 a.m.
January 11	KPC Meeting, Fr. Richard Administration Building, After Mass
January 11	KPCLA Meeting, Fr. Richard Administration Building, After Mass
January 14	Monthly S.A.L.T. meeting, Fr. Richard Administration Building, 10:00 a.m.
January 24	Atlanta Interfaith Group visit to Montgomery (Fr. Jeffrey Ott)
February 27-Mar 1	ACYC, Orange Beach, Alabama
March 7-14	University of Detroit Mercy Spring Break Service Trip
March 7-14	Marquette University Spring Break Service Trip

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

December 28:	Pamela Chappell, Sean Golson, Emily Hurtado Morales (13)
December 29:	Makayla Patterson, Trinity Smith, Kai Stokes (13), Nelson Summerlin
December 30:	Loretta Williams, Woodrow Williams
December 31:	Vicki Maddox, Gwendolyn Nicks
January 1:	Maurice Asouzu, Dorothy Moore
January 3:	Chelsye Leach-Peck
January 4:	Marcus Carpenter
January 5:	Natasha Broughton, Moses Butcher, Sr. (95), James Mooe, Sr., Valencia Pringle
January 6:	Kellie Johnson, Jacob Martinez (16)
January 7:	Moore Asouzu, Henry Guilford
January 8:	Carol Batiste-Felder, Dora Fenderson, Amon Robinson
January 10:	Cytrus Rudolph, III (15)

ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS

December 30:	Lynette and Leon Moore (53 Years)
January 7:	Martha and Leon Varner (44 Years)

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

December 28, 1954	Denzel Washington, actor, was born in Mount Vernon, New York.
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, 1928	Bo Diddley, R&B legend, was born in McComb, Ms.
December 31, 1972	Roberto Clemente, baseball all-star, died in San Juan, Puerto Rico
January 1	Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
January 1, 1863	Emancipation Proclamation issued the Freedom of Slaves.
January 2	Feast of St. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen
January 2, 1889	The first National Negro Catholic Congress was held in Washington, DC.
January 3	Feast of the Most Holy Name of Jesus
January 3, 1966	Samuel Younge, Jr. was the first student killed in the Civil Rights Movement.

Ministry Schedule					
Date	Eucharist	Lectors	Gifts	Servers	Ushers
<i>Today, December 28, The Feast of the Holy Family</i>	Maggie Stringer Martha Varner Sheryl Young	Madison Pugh Erika Jackson	Chelsea Leach Peck Makenzie Wilson	Charlotte Brooks Samuel Guadalupe Katori Stanford	Chelsea Leach Peck Victoria Maddox Connie Sator Rena Ross Makenzie Wilson
<i>Next Sunday, The Feast of the Epiphany</i>	Dorothy Barlow Melvetta Leach Peck Rosalind Pijeaux Hale	Linda Bassett Rebecca Mohr	Aiden and Chase James	Alexandria Brooks Helen Jones Jewell Pitts	Deborah Jefferson Barbara Parker Clif Weatherly

THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Marian Alexander, Leo Allen, Carlos Altamirano, Felipe Altamirano, Juan Altamirano, Dcn. Terry Anderson, Kendrick Arrington, II, Brandon Anderson, Moore Asouzu, Arthur Bailey, Columbia Baldwin, Bridget Barlow, Dorothy Barlow, Vickie Barlow, Barry Barber, Angela Barnes, Carey Barnes, Alma Beasley, Arnold Bell, Sr., Lois Bivens, Carolyn Bivins, Judy Bjorklund, Maxine Bullock, Thelma Burton, Kimberly Carlton, Jessica Carpenter, John Carpenter, Linda Carpenter, Erma Carter, Fr. David Carucci, Derek Coe, Gladys Copeland, Charlotte Corbin, Siobhán Costello, Mecylah Danley, Annie David, Margarete Day, Yolonda Dickerson, Jack Diez, Elaine Dorsey, Fred Douglas, Sherman Douglas, Willie Douglas, Sam Fenn, Elsie Finner, Joan Ford, Helen Foster, Sr. Gloria Fox, C.R., Annie Franklin, David Franklin, Jr., David Franklin, Sr., Tonya Franklin, Roneshia Gardner, Terry German, Carolyn Glass, Yvette Wilcox Goellner, Keith Golson, Michelle Greer, William Groce, Samuel Guadalupe, Laura Guilford, William Guilford, Cristina Guillet, Larry Guyton, Sr. Patsy Guyton, SFCC, Debbie Hall, Doris Hall, Evelyn Harris, Kevin Harris, Marcy Harris, Veronica M. Harris, Wanda Hill, Ronald Howard, Jacqueline Hudson, Pamela Hudson, Edith Hunter, Barbara Jackson, Kevin Jackson, Rebecca James, 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, Eraine Kozel, Deacon James Labadie, Shaquille LaFond, Jewel Lewis, Rosetta Lovelace, Fay Lyons, George Mackey, Mildred Maddox, Ivy Malden, Clarence Manly, Ayanna Marshall, Deacon Clarence McDavid, Betty McGowan, Louise McKenzie, Nicole & Carl McKinney, Deanna McRay, Sr. Carolyn Minert, C.R., Liam Monk, Jacqueline Montgomery, Benjamin Morton, Sheila Mosely, James Moore, Keith Moore, Kyle Moore, Sr., Salena Moore, Shawntrice Moore, Marielle Munnerlyn, David Neal, Gwendolyn Nicks, LaTonya Nicks, Carolyn Norvel, Fr. William Norvel, S.S.J., David Ogden, Dorothy J. Ogden, Sabrina Osborne, Audrey O'Connor, Jeanette Penney, Ms. Pennington, Alnita Peters, Ronnie Peters, Latasha Peterson, Cliff Petty, Albert Pickett, Marvin Pickett, Elaine Poole, Alaida Pugh, AR, Jerry Radka, Alex Ragesdalle, Trinity Richards, Joel Rivera, Sara Moran Romano, Regina Sadler, Morris Sayles, Curtis Scott, Kassandra Scott, Mildred Selmar, Rhonda Shell, Erica Shepherd, Fr. David Shoemaker, Fr. Paul Sims, C.R., Annie Smith, Herbert Smith, Jr., Ruth Smith, Shirley Smith, Willie Ann Smith, Yvette Smiley Smith, Mary Snoddy, Valentine Spencer, Victor Splitt, Richetta Stanford, Carol Stevens, Ernestine Stephens, Ronald Stephens, Allen Stevens, Barbara Stevens, Susan Strauss, Kaiyan Street, Lynda Strickland, Maggie Stringer, Rubye Sullivan, Beverly E. Summerlin, Mel Tardy, Sr., Cynthia Taylor, Jonathan Taylor, Airy Thomas, Faye Thornton, Sherman & Merle Todd, Fr. David Tokarz, Willie Tolbert, Saint Trevel, Judith Turner, Charles Twitty, Wanda Twitty, Michael Tyler, Robert Tyus, Rosalind Vanderbilt, Leon Varner, Lillie 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, Maureen Wilcox, Lorena Wilkerson, Nathan Williams, Thelma Williams, Woodrow Williams.

ETERNAL LIFE

†**Dr. Vilma Pessoa**, the mother of RCS Principal, Dr. Teisha Pessoa, entered eternal life on Monday, December 22, 2025. The Liturgy of Christian Burial will be celebrated at Resurrection Catholic Church on Saturday, January 4, 2026 at 11:00 a.m.

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord and may perpetual light shine upon her. Prayers and condolences are extended to the Pessoa family and to all those who knew and loved Dr. Pessoa.

*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.*

PARISH NEWS

SANCTUARY CANDLE REMEMBRANCE



The Sanctuary Candle is lit this week in prayer for a wonderful New Year of Grace 2026. May this year be filled with abundant blessings for all. Call the Parish office at 230-1964 or email Michelle Coe at parishoffice@rcmsouth.org if you wish to have the candle lit for your special intention. The suggested donation is \$20.00.

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study classes run from 6:00-7:30 p.m. on Thursday evening. All are invited to participate. The group is currently studying Psalmody. You can access the class by clicking on the link on the website at www.rcmsouth.org or visit the Mission calendar on the site. The next class will be held on Thursday, January 8, 2026.



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

MONTHLY GATHERING



The first S.A.L.T. gathering for 2026 will be held on **Wednesday, January 14, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.** The S.A.L.T.

gathering is open to all senior (retired) parishioners. Please call Sr. Gilda at: 334-414-4476 to reserve your space.

RESURRECTION YOUTH GROUP



Resurrection Youth Group, 7th through 12th grades CCD class thanks all who contributed to the Care Packages for homeless

individuals in our community. The Care Packages were delivered this past Monday.

Many thanks to all who donated to the Angel Tree. Those gifts will be delivered to seniors in our community this coming week.

RESURRECTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL

BEYOND BLESSED AT RESURRECTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL!

We want to send a HUGE MAJOR THANK YOU to Dr. Alfred Seawright! Because of his generosity, every single student at Resurrection Catholic School received a \$50 bill for Christmas, and let me tell you, the smiles were EVERYTHING!!!

I truly cannot express how grateful I am for all the blessings that continue to pour into our school community. This has truly been a wonderful 2025, and moments like this remind us just how blessed we are!

Thank you, thank you, THANK YOU, Dr. Seawright, for making Christmas extra special for our students. This was MAJOR, and we are so grateful! As you can see, they were absolutely thrilled!

Thank you to our teachers, staff, parents, and everyone who helped make this special night a success. What a beautiful way to celebrate the season!



KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER AND LADIES AUXILIARY

TIME IS FILLED WITH SWIFT TRANSITIONS

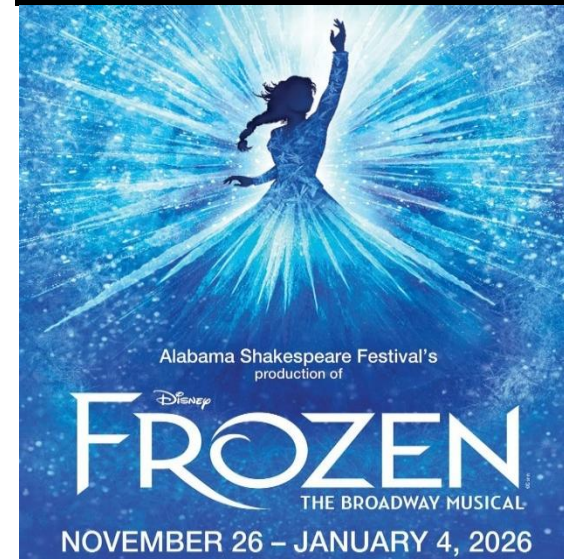


LET THE COMING OF BABY JESUS LEAD YOU TO...

- Rejuvenate
- Enlighten
- Seek
- Organize
- Love
- Uplift
- Thrive
- Inspire
- Overcome
- Navigate

AS YOU BEGIN A NEW YEAR!

COMMUNITY



Resurrection has group tickets for Friday, January 2 at 7:00 p.m. Call the Parish Office at (334) 230-1964 or email mcoe@rcmsouth.org to reserve your tickets. Tickets are \$30 each and can be paid by cash or check or through the online portal at <https://www.osvhub.com/rcmsouth/giving/funds/asf-tickets>.

RESPECT LIFE

"Dearest St. Joseph, help us to faithfully commit ourselves to the service and defense of human life especially where it is vulnerable or threatened. Obtain for us the grace to do the will of God in all things."

We pray for all families that as the domestic Church, may they pursue holiness, pass on the faith and persevere in love.

2026 CALENDARS



The Josephite Calendars for 2026, "African American History & Heritage.", are now available in the vestibule. This year's calendar focuses on "saints among us". **Please take only one for each household.**