Resurrection Catholic Church

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Fr. Manuel Williams, C.R., Pastor

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) 230-1963

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

NOVEMBER 29, 2026 – THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
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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: ..... **$ 4,455.00**
Online ..... **$ 831.00**
Boiler Repair Fund (received to date) ..... **$ 25,178.00**
Building Fund ..... **$ 30.00**
Food Pantry ..... **$ 10.00**
Sanctuary Candle ..... **$ 60.00**
School ..... **$ 20.00**



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - *WAITING IN JOYFUL HOPE*



As Catholic Christians, we are waiting in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Welcoming Jesus into our homes and our hearts, full of hope and joy, prepares us to properly celebrate Jesus' birth and anticipate his return.

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

MONTHLY GATHERING



The montly S.A.L.T. gathering is open to all senior (retired) parishioners. Note that SALT will meet on **Wednesday, December 9th.** Please call Sr. Gilda at: 334-414-4476 to reserve your space.

WELCOME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS



The Annual Parish Welcome Home for Christmas Breakfast and Program will be held on Sunday, December 20 after Mass in the school gymnasium. The Sunday School children will present their annual Christmas program. Join us for food, fellowship and entertainment.

PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS



This week's bulletin includes a nomination form for the following Parish Council officer positions: ***Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson,*** and ***Secretary.*** Please nominate someone you believe would serve well and obtain that person's consent before submitting the form. The Parish Council also includes representatives from each parish organization. **You may nominate yourself** for any position in which you would like to serve. Under Canon Law 537, the pastor must appoint the Finance Committee Chair.

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	Keith Golson, Leon Moore
Baptism Classes	Regina Sadler
Bulletin	Michelle Coe
Burse Club	Kelley Calloway
Choir, Adult	W. Clifford Petty
Confirmation Class	Leon 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 W. Clifford Petty
Knights of Peter Claver Deputy Grand Knight	Knight Carlton Robinson
Knights of Peter Claver, Ladies Auxiliary Grand Lady	Grand Lady Rosalind Pijeaux Hale - kpcla345gl@gmail.com
KPCLA, Vice Grand Lady	Lady Pamela Garrett
Knights of Peter Claver Jr. Daughter Counselor	Lady Melvetta Leach-Peck
Knights of Peter Claver Asst. Jr. Daughter Counselor	Lady Daphne Hawkins
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/Worship Aid	W. Clifford Petty
Pastoral Care / Minister of Care	Fr. Manuel Williams, C.R. / Sr. Gilda Bell
Nazareth /Resurrection Alumni Organization	
Notary Public	Michelle Coe
Our Lady Sodality	President, Tina Golson
Parish Council	President, Leon Moore
Religious Education	Regina Sadler
RCIA	Fr. Manuel C.R., Sr. Gilda Bell, Leon Moore
Resurrection Catholic School	Principal, Dr. Teisha Pessoa
Resurrection Catholic School PTO	
Resurrection Catholic School Child Nutrition Program	Manager, Ms. Twila Webster
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 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 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

November 29	Joint KPC/KPCLA Meeting, Fr. Richard Administration Building
December 1	World AIDS Day Vigil, 6 p.m., Resurrection Catholic Church
December 1-8	DePaul University Winter Break Service Trip
December 8	**School Mass, 10 a.m. – Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)**
December 16	RCS Christmas Program, 6:00 p.m., School Gym
December 17	FIAAL Montgomery Hub Session, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
December 18	Resurrection Group Trip to ASF to see "A Swingin' Ella Christmas"
December 20	Welcome Home for Christmas Breakfast and Program, after Mass, School Gym
Dec. 21-Jan 1	School Winter Break
January 4	RCS Students return
January 22	Mardi Gras Ball, School Gym
March 6-12	Creighton University Spring Break Service Trip
March 6-12	University of Detroit Mercy Spring Break Service Trip
March 18-24	Marquette University Spring Break Service Trip
Mar 30-April 3	St. Ignatius High School, Cleveland, OH
April 12-16	Four Rivers Charter P.S., MA
October 7-10	25th Fr. Chester P. Smith National Black Catholic Men's Conference, Houston, TX.

BIRTHDAYS

November 30:	Amber Gibson
December 1:	Jordan Anderson
December 2:	Airy Thomas
December 3:	Leah Hedblom, Danielle Jackson
December 4:	Vickie Barlow, Thomas Barnes-Pack, Neah Belser, Davis Williams
December 7:	Julian Bennete, John Hawkins
December 8:	Keira Stacks, Tre-Anthony Stacks
December 9:	Skylar Barlow (8), Milton A. Davis, Nicholas Jefferson (17), Collin Ross, Twila Webster
December 11:	Andrew Hargrove, Rebecca James, Jordan Patterson
December 12:	Whitney Hawkins, Janice Thomas

ANNIVERSARIES

November 30:	Gina and Kippy Tate (35 Years)
December 1:	Anita and Chelsea Hargrove (50 Years)
December 10:	Gabriela Luna and Marcelo Vargas (16 Years)

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

November 29, 1915	Billy Strayhorn, jazz composer, was born in Dayton, OH.
November 30	Feast of St. Andrew, Apostle
November 30, 1998	Margaret Walker, poet and writer, died in Chicago, IL.
December 1, 1865	Shaw University, the oldest HBCU, was established in Raleigh, NC.
December 2, 2008	Odetta Holmes, "The Voice of the Civil Rights Movement", died in New York, NY.
December 3	Feast of St. Francis Xavier
December 3, 1847	Frederick Douglass and Martin R. Delaney published the first issue of the *North Star,* 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, 1871	The Mill Hill Fathers arrived in Maryland to minister to Black Catholics.

Ministry Schedule

Date	Eucharist	Lectors	Gifts	Servers	Ushers
Today, November 29, 2026 – First Sunday of Advent	Jeannie Burke Pamela Garrett Robert Johnson	Milton Davis Charles Twitty	Helen, Kara and Daniel Jones	Keith Golson Johnnie Morgan Barbara Parker	Victoria Maddox Rena Ross Connie Sator
Next Sunday, December 6, 2-26 – Second Sunday of Advent	Pamela Garrett Helen Jones Melvetta Leach Peck	Michelle Coe Katrina Scott	Aiden and Chase James	Kyrie Every Keith Golson Leon Moore	Deborah Jefferson Barbara Parker Clif Weatherly

THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Marian Alexander, Leo Allen, Carlos Altamirano, Felipe Altamirano, Juan Altamirano, Dcn. Terry Anderson, Mary Archdeacon Family, Kendrick Arrington, II, Brandon Anderson, Moore Asouzu, 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, Darren Brown, Ernestine Bryant, Robert Calloway, Kimberly Carlton, Jessica Carpenter, John Carpenter, Linda Carpenter, Erma Carter, Fr. David Carucci, Derek Coe, Gladys Copeland, Charlotte Corbin, Siobhán Costello, Mecylah Danley, Marty Davenport, 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, Gladys Gardner, Roneshia Gardner, Carolyn Glass, Yvette Wilcox Goellner, Keith Golson, William Golson, Deborah Graham, Michelle Greer, William Groce, Samuel Guadalupe, Laura Guilford, William Guilford, Cristina Guillet, Larry Guyton, Sr. Patsy Guyton, SFCC, Debbie Hall, Evelyn Harris, Marcy Harris, Veronica M. Harris, Wanda Hill, Ronald Howard, Jacqueline Hudson, Pamela Hudson, Edith Hunter, Barbara Jackson, Kevin Jackson, Alflorence James, C. James, 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, Ayanna Marshall, Judy May, 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., Lynette Moore, Salena Moore, Shawntrice Moore, Marielle Munnerlyn, David Neal, Gwendolyn Nicks, LaTonya Nicks, Carolyn Norvel, David Ogden, Dorothy J. Ogden, Sabrina Osborne, Audrey O'Connor, 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, Riche Richardson, Joel Rivera, Sara Moran Romano, Regina Sadler, Curtis Scott, Kassandra Scott, Mildred Selmar, Geraldine Sheehan, 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, Sam 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 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, Nathan Williams, Thelma Williams, Woodrow Williams.

ENTERED ETERNAL LIFE

+Ms. Tennessee Brown Gilkey, the aunt of ***Jennifer Tarver Brown,*** sister of the late ***Carrie Tarver,*** entered eternal life on Monday, November 16, 2026. The funeral will be held at Star Hope Baptist Church in Louisville, KY on Saturday, November 28, 2026. Burial will follow on Monday, November 30, 2026 at KY Veterans Cemetery Central, Radcliffe, KY.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord and may perpetual light shine upon her. Prayers and condolences are extended to the Brown, Gilkey and Tarver families and all who knew and loved Ms. Gilkey.

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

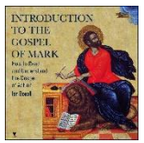


The sanctuary candle is lit this week for the intentions of the faithful. Call the Parish office at 334-230-1964 or email Michelle Coe at parishoffice@rcmsouth.org if you wish to have the candle lit for your special intention. The suggested donation is $20.00.

CHRISTMAS BALLET

Chloe Anderson, along with her father, ***Brandon Anderson***, will appear in the performance of **The NutQracker** on Friday, December 11 and Saturday, December 12 at the Montgomery Performing Arts Center.

BIBLE STUDY

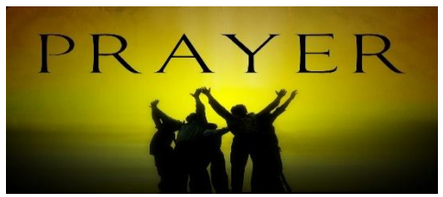


Bible Study classes run from 6:00-7:30 p.m. on Thursday evening. All are invited to participate. You can access the class by clicking on the link on the website at www.rcmsouth.org or visit the Mission calendar on the site. The class is studying the Gospel according to Mark. The next Bible Study class will be this ***Thursday, December 10, 2026.*** The class is studying the "Kingdom of God".

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST

Please hold the members of our parish who currently serve in the military and who have been deployed overseas to the Middle East. Pray also for their families during this especially stressful time. **Email the parish office parish@rcmsouth.org with the names of those who are currently deployed.**

PRAYER GROUP



Join Sister Patsy and members every Wednesday evening from 6:30 -7:00 on the prayer call line at 1(727) 731- 5133 or call to give Sister Patsy your prayer request, at (334) 451- 0328.

OUR LADY SODALITY



BASKET OF CHEER RAFFLE

Our Lady Sodality is sponsoring a "Basket of Cheer" raffle just in time for the holidays. Don't miss your chance to win one of two amazing Gift Baskets filled with all your favorite adult beverages!

1 Ticket - $10
2 Tickets - $15
3 Tickets - $20

Winners will be drawn on December 20, 2026. You must be 21 or older to participate, and prize is limited to one per person/household. Baskets are on display in the vestibule of the church. See OLS members for tickets.

OUR LADY SODALITY MEET AND GREET



Our Lady Sodality invites ladies of the parish to the annual ***Meet and Greet*** next Sunday immediately after Mass in the Father Richard Administration Building. Please join OLS for food, fellowship, games, prizes and lots of fun.

KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER AND LADIES AUXILIARY

JOINT MEETING

The Knights and Ladies will have a joint meeting today, after Mass, in the Fr. Richard Administration Building.

JUNIOR DAUGHTERS' ANNUAL SPAGHETTI FUNDRAISER



The Junior Daughters will have their annual Spaghetti dinner fundraiser on December 6 after Mass. Order forms are on the table in the vestibule.

- Spaghetti w/sauce (NO MEAT) and side- $10.00
- Spaghetti w/side- $12.00
- Spaghetti w/side, bread, cake- $15.00

RESURRECTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL

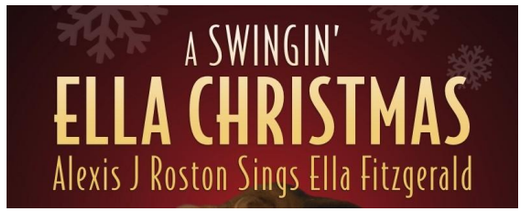
CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Join Resurrection Catholic School students on Wednesday, December 16, for their Christmas program, "What the Herd Heard". Come support the children and hear what the herd heard!

SCHOOL MASS

Join the students at Resurrection Catholic School at **10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 8** to celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation).

COMMUNITY



A SWINGIN' ELLA CHRISTMAS

Alexis J. Roston sings Ella Fitzgerald
December 16 – 20, 2026
Octagon Stage | Recommended for ages 14+

Have a yule that's cool as award-winning actress Alexis J. Roston salutes the Queen of Jazz.

Blending a festive cocktail of holiday hits and signature songs, Roston captures the angelic sound and irresistible joy that made Ella Fitzgerald an American treasure. Featuring an immaculate jazz ensemble, songs include "Jingle Bells," "Sleigh Ride," "It Don't Mean a Thing (If It Ain't Got That Swing)," "Mack the Knife," and "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas."

Presented in association with Artists Lounge Live.

This production is recommended for ages 14+. Babes in arms are not admitted to the theatre. All children must have a ticketed seat purchased for them to enter the theatre.

Resurrection will have tickets to the show on Friday, December 18 for $35. See Michelle Coe.

