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Recently I finished up Fr. Mike Schmitz's Bible in a Year podcast. I know that many of you were listening as he read every word of the scriptures from Genesis through Revelation. I was a little later than folks who jumped into this project from the very beginning. But, I got there—sometimes listening in the car, sometimes while unloading the dishwasher, obscurer folding the laundry.

I'm glad I did this project. I've certainly been exposed to scripture previously—and, actually, pretty persistently—over the years. But, Bible in a Year refreshed my memory of passages both familiar and obscure. I appreciated the commentary from Fr. Schmitz and Jeff Cavins. In a brief time—the podcast ran between 20 and 30 minutes each day—they provided some useful context for the readings.

But, now it's over. What comes next?

This Sunday, which Pope Francis designated as the Sunday of the Word of God, might be a time to reflect on how we might engage scripture this year. So, some suggestions:

We can always return to Bible in a Year. The podcast is still out there, available to hear. Sometimes we hear more on the repeated listen than we did the first time.

Don't forget the scriptures at Mass. One of the great accomplishments of the Vatican II liturgical reforms was to increase the scriptural texts at Mass (and, for that matter, in the Liturgy of the Hours). Between Sunday and weekday Masses we hear a significant amount of the entire Bible. Access those readings in *Word Among Us* (with reflections) or at bible.usccb.org.

Shop around for good commentaries on the scriptures. Some readable suggestions: *The Word on Fire Bible* (beautiful books with clear commentary and wonderful artwork), *The Great Adventure Bible* (with a strong sense of the history behind the text), Peter Williamson and Mary Healy's series *the Catholic Commentary on Sacred Scripture* (commentaries on each book of the Bible).

Remember we continue to offer parish Bible study on Monday evenings. Check the bulletin or call the office to find out how to access that group. (As COVID concerns continue to arise, Bible study has remained a virtual event.)

Do I need to mention the on-going streamed series *The Chosen*? Here's a project that strives to present the life of Jesus in a fresh and creative way. Like any series based on historical events we sometimes need to fact checking. Was Thomas really the wine merchant at the wedding of Cana? Did Mary Magdalen have a gambling problem? (Short answer: Those are creative moments for the filmmakers. They're not part of the gospel.) But, watching and reading can give us a rich experience of the world and life of Christ and his disciples.

We have options. But, don't let the option be continuing to let dust accumulate on that Bible. Read the Word. Grow in relationship with that Word, that Word made flesh in Jesus Christ.

MONTHLY BLOCK ROSARY

Join us Sunday, January 23, 2021, as we come together as one community of faith to pray and fellowship.

ALL ARE WELCOME!
NAN RUSCZYK'S HOME
5:00-7:30
4:30 IF SHARING A DISH

ANY QUESTIONS, EMAIL:
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We extend a warm welcome to all who attend our church. It is our desire that you find our parish community a place where your life of faith will be nourished. Your prayers, your presence, and your talents are most welcome and we hope that you will share them with us. Please feel free to introduce yourself after Mass. God bless.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

SATURDAY Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
12:00pm— Protection of Life
5:00pm — Brien Grieco by Grieco Family
SUNDAY Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30am — Walter Mudry by Barbara Adzema
11:00am — Parishioners
SCI — Joel Rivera (living)
MONDAY St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
9:00am — Bobby McCreary by Ruth Eiswerth
TUESDAY The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle
7:00pm — Augustine Spizzirri by Bob Sue Mayschok
WEDNESDAY Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops
9:00am — Joseph J. Bryer, Sr. by Sue & Roger Gilliland
THURSDAY St. Angela Merici, Virgin
9:00am — David Solomon by Ruth Eiswerth
FRIDAY St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church
9:00am — Jack McClintock by Marie Gaydon
SATURDAY
5:00pm — Marie Serio by Ed & Rosemary Rymsza
SUNDAY Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:30am — Joyce Gregar by Mary and John Todor
11:00am — Parishioners
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CARMELITE PRAYER WARRIORS

Need prayers for yourself or someone you know? Contact the Secular Order of Carmelites of the Blessed Virgin of Mt. Carmel and St. Joseph. Email us at: carmeliteprayerwarriors@gmail.com. All prayer requests are kept strictly confidential and will be shared only among our secular order from of Danville PA.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00pm (Vigil) **Sunday:** 8:30am AND 11:00am
Holy Days: As Announced

Weekday Mass

9:00am Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
7:00pm Tuesday

ADORATION OF THE MOST HOLY EUCHARIST



Thursday: 5:30 pm—7:00pm and as posted throughout the year.

Come spend time with the Lord.
What is He calling you to do?

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Come to be reconciled to our Lord and find the Peace you have been seeking.

Thursday: 5:30 pm—7:00pm or by appointment

THE LORD'S PORTION

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ONLINE GIVING



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BIBLE STUDY



Bible Study is every at 7pm.
We will be meeting virtually via Google Meet. Go to resurrectiononline.net/bible to sign-up to get the link to join the Bible Study.
We are studying the Acts of the Apostles.

MOVED? NEW PHONE NUMBER/E-MAIL ADDRESS?

If any of the above apply to you, please let the Parish Office know so we can keep our records up to date. Call 570-546-3900 or send an e-mail to resurrection@windstream.net.

If you are having trouble hearing the Mass, we have hearing assistance devices available in the sacristy for your use. Check with the Sacristans and they will show you where they are located.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21
Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30
Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18
Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13 -14/Mk 4:21-25
Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41
Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/1 Cor 12:31-13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

CARE FOR CREATION



Yours the morning, O God, Yours the afternoon. As I make my pilgrimage through the day, reawaken me to Your presence, Your wisdom, and Your wonders...from Earth Gospel.

CHARITY OF THE MONTH



Mission Ecuador which has been a primary focus for this parish for many years reaches out to the global community by serving people in need in Ecuador. Father Glenn has been our ambassador with his many visits to Ecuador. Working with local Catholic parishes, our parish joins with the Catholic dioceses in Quito and Latacunga, Ecuador to support projects that target children, families, and the elderly who are living in poverty.

YOUNG ADULTS

Are you a Catholic young adult (ages 21-39) in the area looking to get together with other young adults? We have an active group formed that meets up monthly for prayer and socialization. Contact Kelsi Chuprinski, kac056@bucknell.edu for more information.

LIFE AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE

REFLECTING ON TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

THE LORD SENT ME TO BRING GLAD TIDINGS TO THE POOR, AND TO PROCLAIM LIBERTY TO CAPTIVES

In today's Gospel Jesus reads the above words in Nazareth as he begins his public ministry. What are we doing through charity and justice to aid those experiencing hunger and poverty? What actions for justice do we extend for those who are both literally and figuratively held captive?

LIVING TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

U.S. BISHOPS' PRO-LIFE CHAIRMAN DENOUNCES FDA DECISION ON CHEMICAL ABORTION PILL

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) announced recently they will eliminate the safety requirement of in-person dispensing in the Risk Evaluation Mitigation Strategy (REMS) for the chemical abortion drug *mifepristone*. The FDA's action clears a path for the drug to be dispensed by clinics, medical offices, and hospitals through the use of online pharmacies or drug delivery services.

"One of the essential tasks of governments is to safeguard the health and well-being of citizens. As such, the FDA ought to act to protect the lives and health of mothers and children, rather than merely succumbing to the abortion industry's pressure to loosen safety standards.

I call on leaders of every level of government to stand with women in need by promoting policies that recognize the value and human dignity of both mother and child, rather than further promoting the devastating tragedy of abortion." - Archbishop William E. Lori chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on Pro-Life Activities.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH THROUGH SERVICE

Catholics have a long history of founding hospitals and serving those who are sick. In the 4th Century, St. Fabiola of Rome was a wealthy noblewoman of the Patrician social class. Under the guidance of St. Jerome, she founded several hospitals and hospices for the poor, the sick, for orphans, and for travelers. She personally saw to the needs of patients, treating their sores and changing their bandages.

Locally, the UPMC hospitals are looking for volunteers in the following areas:

UPMC Williamsport:

- Entrance screening; Gift shop; and putting patient info packets together

UPMC Williamsport Divine Providence:

- Breast Health Center; Entrance Screening; and Hillman Cancer Center

UPMC Muncy:

- Same-day services; Gift shop; and Pet therapy.

Called to serve? Visit: <https://www.upmc.com/locations/hospitals/williamsport/about/volunteer> or <https://www.upmc.com/locations/hospitals/muncy/about/volunteer> for more information.

HAPPENINGS AT OTHER PARISHES



OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH

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SYNOD 2021-2023

Let's skip the long introductions. There's a survey. It originates with the Holy Father. It's being sent throughout the world. Anyone can submit a response. Good Catholic, bad Catholic, not even remotely a Catholic. The Church wants to hear from everyone and anyone—especially people who may seem to be on the margins.

Access the survey at:

<https://www.dioceseofscranton.org/synod-on-synodality/>

If you need a paper copy, please contact the office.

In case you wonder why this is happening, let's look back at our history. The Church has always balanced group thinking and leadership thinking. Even in the Acts of the Apostles the early Church meets in Jerusalem—counted as the first Church Council—but the apostles, and especially Peter, take a leading role.

Popes have their role to play. So do local bishops. So do Church Councils and diocesan synods and Parish Pastoral Councils. St Benedict even demanded that when a decision needs to be made the Abbot should ask the opinion of all the monks, beginning with the youngest member of the community. That sense of listening to the whole community is called "synodality." The Pope has called the Church to reflect on that part of our nature. And to do that, we need to hear from everyone we can reach. Please help!

SOMETHING FOR THE CHILDREN

 **PUZZLE**

Circle these words from today's Gospel:

SPIRIT	FREEDOM	LORD
CHOSEN	SIGHT	JESUS
POOR	SUFFERS	TRUE

I	A	M	J	L	U	I	T	L	A
S	B	C	H	O	S	E	N	V	E
U	P	A	T	R	H	A	R	T	I
F	R	E	E	D	O	M	A	W	H
F	N	H	C	A	L	E	I	W	S
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I	A	T	R	U	E	M	J	E	T

OTHER WAYS TO GIVE

CHARITY & DONATIONS



Expectations Women's Center

Expectations Women's Center provides education and resources to help women in our area make good choices. Support them by volunteering, making monetary donations, or by placing donations in the Narthex basket. Currently, the most needed items are: personal care items, maternity clothing (new or used), and baby supplies (new or used) by placing them into the basket in the Narthex. See their website <https://expectationswc.org/> for more information and ways to give.

Family Promise

Family Promise helps families break the cycle of homelessness. Support them by volunteering, making monetary donations, or by placing donations in the Narthex basket. Currently, the most needed items are: cleaning appliances and supplies; storage containers; office supplies; personal care items for all ages and ethnicities; household, kitchen, and laundry supplies; feminine care items; bedclothes and linens; baby supplies; and gasoline, food, and gift cards. See their website <https://www.familypromiselycoming.org/> for more information and ways to give.

Shepherd of the Streets

Shepherd of the Streets provides clinical pastoral counseling, transportation, medical referrals, and supplies to local people in need. Support them by volunteering, making monetary donations, or by placing donations in the Narthex basket. Currently, the most needed items are: adult toothbrushes; shampoo; and conditioner. There is also a consistent need for soap and body wash, bandages, wash cloths and towels, dish detergent, laundry pods, paper towels, body lotion and shaving cream, women's deodorant, feminine care items, baby care items, kid's toothpaste, and non-perishable food items. See their website <https://uclc.org/shepherd-food-pantry/> for more information and ways to give.

Son Light House

Son Light House distributes food and household goods to families in need. Support them by donating the following items and placing them in the Narthex basket: dry and canned goods; seasonable clothing; linens; and usable toys and furniture. Contact them (570) 546-3585 for more information.

HandUp Clothing Bin

There is a bin for clothing and small miscellaneous items in the parking lot. If during these next few weeks you get around to that de-cluttering cleaning project, please bring your items over to the bin and deposit them for others in need. School children quickly grow out of their clothes especially coats/jackets and you may even find that the summer clothes you saved for this year just do not fit. Stop by and drop them into the bin on your way to church.



PRAY FAST GIVE



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Mondays – Watch bulletin for early publications dates

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PARISH REGISTRATION & MEMBERSHIP

All Catholics should be officially enrolled in a parish. To become members of Church of the Resurrection please visit our parish website at resurrectiononline.net under "About Us" and choose membership.

VOLUNTEERS

Church of the Resurrection can always use new altar servers, ushers, choir and contemporary group singers, cantors, and instrumentalists. We often need help with life & justice projects, various fundraisers, grounds keeping and our annual parish festival. The Knights of Columbus and the Women's Organization are always looking for new members. If you are interested in sharing your time and talent with your parish, please email resurrection@windstream.net and we'll point you in the right direction.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (R.C.I.A.)

Do you know anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Have you been baptized? Have you been baptized in another Christian Church, but desire instructions about the Catholic Faith? Are you a baptized Catholic but not fully initiated through the Sacraments of First Communion and Confirmation? The R.C.I.A. team is here for you! Contact Jesse Martin at 570-546-3900 or dresurrection@gmail.com.

CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE

Church law requires Catholics to be married with the church's prayers and blessings. Please call the pastor at least six months before your anticipated wedding date. All couples must complete a Pre-Cana program. If you or your fiancée were previously married and divorced, you will need an annulment before being married in the church. Allow at least a year to finish the annulment process.

BAPTISM

Infants and small children may be baptized at any Saturday evening or Sunday morning celebration of the Eucharist outside of Lent. The parish baptismal preparation session is required before the baptism of a couple's first child. Please visit our website for form.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please notify the parish office whenever anyone is sick, unable to attend Mass and wishes to receive Holy Communion. Eucharistic Ministers are available to bring Communion to the sick. The Pastor will bring the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick as needed.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Sundays, September to May, K-8 at 9:30am. High School Students & Youth Group have various activities that can be found on the church website or within this bulletin. A two-year period of preparation for First Penance and First Eucharist takes place in first and second grades for baptized children. A two-year program of Confirmation preparation for children who have received Baptism and Eucharist takes place during the seventh and eighth grades. All children must be registered.

FUNERAL LUNCHEONS

WE NEED YOU! If you are available and would like to be added to the volunteer team, please email the office at resurrection@windstream.net or email Sarah Swisher at swisherbusinessolutions@gmail.com.



For more information on the Diocese of Scranton's pledge on keeping our youth safe, please contact:

Erin McGrady, LPC

Safe Environment Coordinator

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