Church of the Resurrection

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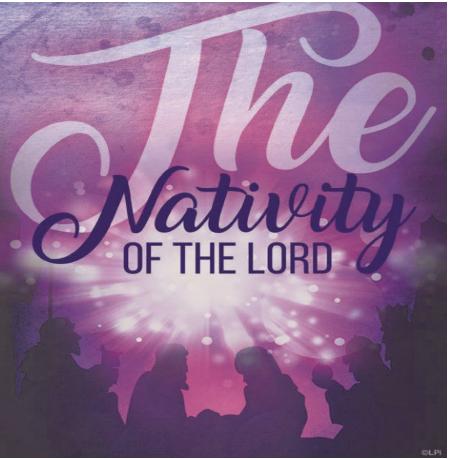
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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 P.M Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 A.M Weekday: 7:00 A.M.(8:00 A.M. on holidays) Saturday: 8:00 A.M .

> Confessions: Saturdays: 4:00–4:45 P.M. Rosary Weekdays: 6:30 A.M.

Baptisms: First Sunday of the month at 12:00 P.M. by appointment only.

Marriages: Parishioners should make arrangements by calling the church six months in advance.

Ministry to the Sick or Homebound: Please call the church if you or someone you know is ill or homebound and wishes to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation, Eucharist, and/or Anointing of the Sick.

Eucharistic Adoration: Adoration will be every Saturday at 8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION, WALLINGFORD, CT.



Saturday, Dec. 24 8:00 a.m. No Morning Mass

Reconciliation-11:00 a.m.-12:00 noon

4:00 p.m. Mary Ellen Ahern 5:30 p.m. Garwood Wilson 12:00 a.m. Georgia Family, David Warren, Anita Malentacchi & Richard Preneta Sunday, Dec. 25 10:00 a.m. Winifred McDermott & William Birney Monday, Dec. 26 7:00 a.m. No Morning Mass Tuesday, Dec. 27 7:00 a.m. Charlie Morrissey Sr. Wednesday, Dec. 28 7:00 a.m. Jane Gaynor Thursday, Dec. 29 7:00 a.m. Gracelyn Criscuolo Friday, Dec. 30 7:00 a.m. Special Intention Saturday, Dec. 31 8:00 a.m. Bob Caruth 5:00 p.m. Deborah Sokol Sunday, Jan.1 7:30 a.m. Wayne Mele 9:00 a.m. Richard Preneta 10:30 a.m. Phyllis Bertekap

Bequests to Church of the Resurrection are gratefully appreciated. When a loved one dies, please consider advising friends and relatives to make a donation to the Church of the Resurrection Building Fund.



The Sanctuary Candle burns this week for Michael Geremia



Msgr. Georgia, Fr. MacDonald and the entire staff at Resurrection would like to wish everyone a blessed Christmas.

The office will closed on Monday, Dec. 26th.



he angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and bying in a manger." - Lk 2:10-12

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PARISH UPDATE

Our warmest welcome to all who worship with our parish family. If you are not registered or need to update our records, please **PRINT** & fill out this form and place it in the collection basket. Thank you.

Name_____D.O.B_____

Spouse & maiden_____D.O.B.____

Children's Names_____ (under 18) With D.O.B.

Street_____City____

Zip_____ Phone_____

Please check: _____New Registration ____Change of Address

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Give Online



December 18th to be announced next week

Thank you for your generosity!

To sign-up for online giving visit resurrectionct.weshareonline.org.

DECEMBER 25, 2022



Campaign Statistics Total amount pledged: \$1,991,548.92 Total amount paid: \$1,902,938.92



SOCIAL MINISTRY

Mixed Veggies, Carrots & Peas, Yams, Turkey Gravy, Applesauce, Boxed Potato Casseroles, Jelly, Peanut Butter,

Coffee, Hot Cocoa, Cookies, Crackers, Kid's Drink Boxes & School Snacks, Mayo, Baked Beans, Salad Dressing, Mac & Cheese, Jarred Sauce, Canned Fruit, Pancake Mix, Maple Syrup, Sugar & Flour, Pasta, Breakfast Bars, Pasta Sides, Vegetable Oil, Conditioner, Shampoo, Deodorant, Tissues, Paper Towels, Laundry Detergent.

Gift cards are always appreciated, including Aldi, ShopRite, Stop & Shop & Big Y. **Next pick up –January 21**st Thank you for your continued generosity!

Christmas Prayer

Today marks the end of the Advent season and the beginning of the Christmas season. We have lighted four candles these past four weeks and asked God to help us be present to our neighbors and friends. Now in the Christmas season we are called to be Christ in the flesh to our world.

Let us pray...

God, you became human through the obedience of a simple young woman named Mary. Mary is our model of faith. May we be faithful to your word as Mary was. Give us the courage to face each day with the yes that Mary gave to you. We ask this through the incarnate God, who comes to us again during this Christmas season. Amen.

Health & Wellness Ministry

As we enjoy the hustle and bustle of the Christmas season please remember to take care of yourself! With that in mind, the Ministry

volunteers will once again be offering a free blood pressure screening on **Sunday, Jan. 8**th from **8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon.** One of the volunteers will be in the church vestibule to guide you to a private space for you blood pressure check. We will provide you with a measurement in writing, resources if needed, and a wallet card where your serial blood pressures will be recorded. We recommend that you wear a mask. All equipment and chairs will be disinfected after each use. Please take advantage of this free screening.



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American Red Cross & Knights of Columbus Pinta#5 and Most Holy Trinity Blood Drive

A Blood drive will be held on January 5th from the hours of 12:00 noon-5:00 p.m. Most Holy Trinity Church campus hall. Contact Bob Linsley at 203-379-6772 The need is constant!

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD



For everything there is a Reason and a Time for every Purpose under Heaven...A Time to heal....Laurie Bizzario, John Boni, Stacy Bouchard, Sherri Chambers, Michelle Ciarlelli, Pam Deveau, Charlie Donadio, Kathryn

Flood, John & Catherine Gallagher, John Guida, Chris J. Halla, Jack & Eileen Herrle, Brenda Karsmarski,
Betty Keyes, August King, Mike Maratea, Sameera Sharma Medlock, Charles Mello, David Murdock,
Bob Nicoletti, Cheryl Perricone, Claudette Puig, Collin Reilly, Hillary Rivera, Anthony St. Germain,
Thaddeus Wojcik IV, Kristen Vollero, New England Catholic Biblical School at the Archdiocese of Hartford and
all other parishioners who need our prayers.

PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS



Alex Bates, Kyle Bonet, Caleb Crosby, Josh Crosby, Capt. Joseph DeSandre, Stephen Dzialo, Lt. William Gurzynski, Jack Humowitz, SPC Cooper Jones, Anthony Mappa, Sgt. Brad Milslagle, Chris Morales, Michael Neeleon, RDML Cathal O'Connor, Capt. Cormac O'Connor, Joseph R. Personeni, 1st Lt. Ryan Proto, SPC Noah Robert Root, Erik St. Germain, Quinn Sarro Twickler. May we pray for your daughter, son, relative or friend serving with the United States Military? If so, please put their name in the collection basket or mail to the church office. **Please remind us when they are home safely.**



Dear Parishioners and Friends,

We find the wonderful meaning of Christmas summarized in St. John's Gospel 3:16 – "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life."

> In John's Gospel, Jesus proclaims that He is "the Light of the world" for all who live in spiritual darkness, "the Way" when we lose our sense of direction in life and need guidance, "the Truth" when we question or doubt our beliefs and need reassurance, "the Resurrection and the life" when we complete our earthly journey and need salvation.

Imagine what our lives would be like if Jesus had not come to earth!! The Babe of Bethlehem, the Christ Child, is the most precious gift any of us can ever receive. The gift of Jesus is one that can never be matched, only graciously and joyously accepted.

Our celebration of His birth is our promise to do all we can to live as He lived and love as He loved. We are to be a reflection of his light and love to others – so that all may come to know Him as their Friend and Savior. Once again, you have done this so well through your outstanding generosity that has made Christmas so special, so real for so many families.



With gratitude, I wish you a Merry Christmas!!

As ever, Msgr. John Georgia

DECEMBER 25, 2022

Readings Week

Readings for the week of December 25, 2022 Sunday: *Vigil*: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (2a)/Acts 13:16 -17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25 *Night*: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14 *Dawn*: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20 *Day*: Is 52:7-10/ Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3])/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14 Monday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17/Mt 10:17-22 **No Morning Mass**

Tuesday:1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Jn 20:1a, 2-8 Wednesday1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/Mt 2:13-18 Thursday:1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6/Lk 2:22-35

Friday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23 Saturday:1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13/Jn 1:1-18 Next Sunday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (2a)/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Sunday: The Nativity of the Lord Monday: St. Stephen, First Martyr Tuesday: St. John, Apostle and Evangelist Wednesday: The Holy Innocents, Martyrs Thursday: St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr Friday: Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Saturday: St. Sylvester I, Pope; New Year's Eve Next Sunday: Mary, The Holy Mother of God, National Migration Week, New Year's Day, World Day of Peace



Grades 1 & 2 – Monday, Jan.9th-4:45-5:45 Grades 3 & 4 – Tuesday, Jan. 3rd from 4:45 – 5:45 Grades 5 & 6 – Monday, Jan. 9th from 6-7:00 p.m.

Grades 7th & 8th Next class will be on Sunday Jan. 8th from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Home-school Students (Grades 1–6) Packets for the second quarter are due back on January 15th



The next 9th grade Confirmation session will be on January 8th from 10:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.



Question: Why do we give gifts at Christmas? Answer:

Great events in and of themselves are not tangible. They occur in life but leave no mark behind, nothing that someone could come across and know that something significant occurred. So we mark the event with monuments, holidays, gold watches or plaques, making a meaningful event tangible and memorable. Gifts at Christmas do the same thing.

They mark the occasion of the birth of Jesus, communicating a bit of the joy of the day by allowing us to be both giver and receiver. Gift-giving sets aside the day as special and different. The special foods, customs, decorations, and gifts all help focus our attention on the importance and meaning of the day and at the same time allow us to share personally in its joy and happiness. In giving gifts, though, we can share in the meaning of Christmas in a significant way. We imitate God in sharing with others. We give a bit of ourselves to others in the gifts we give, just as God gives us the gift of his Son. No wonder we often say that the best gifts are those that come from

the heart. Given in love, these presents are wrapped in the best covering of all.



Adult Choir Thursdays from 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Bell Choir Mondays from 7:00 -8:15 p.m.

Children's Liturgy of the Word & Choir 9:00 a.m. Mass each week.





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