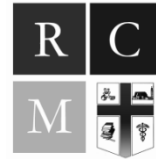




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Mrs. Michelle Coe, Administrative Assistant (334) 230-1964

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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 22, 2024 – THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT 22 DE DICIEMBRE DE 2024 – 4º DOMINGO DE ADVIENTO

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:	\$2,490.00
Online	\$1,385.00
Building Fund	\$50.00
Food Pantry	\$60.00
Interfaith Community Outreach	\$35.00
Poinsettias	\$50.00
School	\$55.00



CHRISTMAS MIDNIGHT MASS

Come share in a night of word, music and dance, as we welcome our newborn King! Midnight Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, December 24. A prelude of melodious music of the season will begin at 11:30 p.m. **Christmas Day Mass** will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. **New Year's Day Mass** will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m.



CHRISTMAS GREETING

This Christmas 2024 we once again remember the greatest gift ever given to humanity, Our Savior Jesus. May the hope, joy and peace His coming promises be yours this Christmas and throughout the coming New Year. Blessed Christmas. Fr. Manuel, and Your Pastoral Staff



OFFICE CLOSING

The Parish and Mission offices will be closed from **Wednesday, December 25** through **Friday, December 27**. The offices will reopen on Monday, December 30. The school is closed for the Christmas break until Monday, January 6, 2025.

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (LOVE)

Today the Church celebrates the Fourth and final Sunday of Advent. "Hail, full of grace! The Lord is with you." But she was greatly troubled at what was said and pondered what sort of greeting this might be. Then the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. Behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High, and the Lord God will give him the throne of David his father, and he will rule over the house of Jacob forever, and of his kingdom there will be no end." (Luke 1:28-33)



O Rex Gentium (O King of the Nations) is the Sixth of the O Antiphons. A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom and to return" (Luke 19:12). This nobleman is Christ, the Son of God, King of all nations. His kingdom is over all men and over all things, both material and spiritual. He has everything in His hand as God and man. But another, Satan, has broken into His kingdom and has made himself master of many of Christ's subjects. In the old dispensation only a small part of humanity, the chosen people, remained faithful to the almighty King.

Christ, the Son of God, came into this "far country" in order to become man and, by means of humility, obedience, and poverty, to cast out the usurper who had taken His subjects. He came to reassert His dominion over all those who had left Him, both Jews and Gentiles.!

<https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/calendar/day.cfm?date=2024-12-22>

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/Songsheet
- 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 Carlton Robinson
- Knight Keith Golson
- Grand Lady Rosalind Pijeaux Hale - kpcla345g1@gmail.com
- Lady Rena Ross
- Lady Melvetta Leach-Peck
- Lady Lloria James
- 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
- President, Ms. Janeen Gadson
- 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 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

Dec. 20 – Jan 6, '25	Christmas Holidays for Students – School Closed
December 22	Welcome Home for Christmas
December 24	Christmas Midnight Mass, Prelude – 11:30 p.m.
December 25	Christmas Day Mass – 10:00 a.m.
December 27	Resurrection Group Trip – “A Christmas Carol” at ASF
January 1, 2025	New Year’s Day Mass – 10:00 a.m.
January 3	Teacher Inservice
January 8	S.A.L.T. Gathering, 10 a.m., Fr. Richard Administration Building
January 12	CMN and Holy Trinity Church, Georgetown group visit to Resurrection
March 1-8	Detroit Mercy University Service Trip
March 5	ASH WEDNESDAY
March 8-15	Creighton University Service Trip
March 22-29	DePaul University Service Trip
March 22-29	San Francisco State University Service Trip
April 22-27	St. Joseph’s Academy, Baton Rouge, LA Service Trip
May 2-4	KPC Gulf Coast District Conference, Mobile, AL
May 13-16	Catholic Theological Union Visit to Montgomery
June 17-20	Lyke Conference, Tampa, FL
June 18-20	Unity Explosion, Houston, TX
July 17-20	KPC Junior Convention, Rockville, MD
July 18-23	KPC Senior Convention, Rockville, MD

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

December 24:	Kristopher Maye, Rebecca Mohr
December 27:	Mirabai Shehabi-Sadasivan (9)
December 28:	Pamela Chappell, Sean Golson, Emily Hurtado Morales (12)
December 29:	Makayla Patterson, Trinity Smith, Kai Stokes (12), Nelson Summerlin
December 30:	Loretta Williams
December 31:	Victoria Maddox, Gwen Nicks
January 1:	Maurice Asouzu
January 3:	Chelsye Leach-Peck (17)
January 4:	Marcus Carpenter

ANNIVERSARIES

December 30:	Lynette and Leon Moore (52 Years)
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THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

December 22, 1943	W.E.B. Du Bois, 1 st African-American member of National Institute of Arts and Letters.
December 23	Feast of St. John Kanty
December 23, 1867	Madam C.J. Walker, millionaire cosmetologist was born in Delta, LA.
December 24, 1898	Irwin Mollison, the first African American Federal Judge was born in Vicksburg, MS.
December 25, 1907	Cab Calloway, a premier jazz entertainer was born in Rochester, NY.
December 26	Feast of St. Stephen
December 26, 1966	First day of Kwanzaa, an African American holiday developed by Dr. Mulana Ron Karenga.
December 27	Feast of St. John, Apostle
December 27, 1931	Ruth Carol Taylor, the first African American flight attendant, was born in Boston, MA.
December 28	Feast of the Holy Innocents
December 28, 1954	Denzel Washington was born in Mount Vernon, NY.

Ministry Schedule					
Date	Eucharist	Lectors	Gifts	Servers	Ushers
<i>Today, December 22, 2024 – Fourth Sunday of Advent (Youth Sunday)</i>	Kaitlin Coe Jackson Michelle Coe Helen Jones	Katori Stanford Xavier Maddox Advent Wreath: Xavier Maddox	London Rudolph McKenzie Wilson	Erika Jackson Tacorie Richardson Cytrus Rudolph	Marcus Carpenter Angel Hollins- Morgan Leon Moore Nora Powell Mays London Rudolph McKenzie Wilson
<i>Wednesday, December 25, 2024 – Midnight Mass</i>	Michelle Coe Helen Jones Melvetta Leach Peck	Milton Davis Michael Jackson	Angela Barnes Thomas Barnes- Pack	Derek Coe Keith Golson Leon Moore	John Carpenter Barbara Parker Nora Powell Wanda Twitty Clif Weatherly
<i>Next Sunday, December 29, 2024 – Feast of the Holy Family</i>	Dorothy Barlow Kelley Calloway Maggie Stringer	Rosalind Pijeaux Hale Michelle Coe	Kyrie and Malaki Every	Roland Maddox Katori Stanford Clif Weatherly	Victoria Maddox Rena Ross Constance Sator Airy Thomas

THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER

Marian Alexander, Leo Allen, Carlos Altamirano, Felipe Altamirano, Juan Altamirano, Dcn. Terry Anderson, Nikki Anderson, Kendrick Arrington, II, Moore Asouzu, Arthur Bailey, Columbia Baldwin, Bridget Barlow, Dorothy Barlow, Vickie Barlow, Barry Barber, Angela Barnes, Carey Barnes, Alma Beasley, Arnold Bell, Sr. Gilda Bell, Ethel Bell, Lois Bivens, Laverne Boland, Jarred Bridges, Jerome Broughton, Anthony Burden, Beatrice Butler, Erica Butler, Timothy Butler, Jr., Kimberly Carlton, John Carpenter, Linda Carpenter, Erma Carter, Fr. David Carucci, Gladys Copeland, Charlotte Corbin, Mecylah Danley, Annie David, Margarete Day, Yolonda Dickerson, Jack Diez, Elaine Dorsey, Elsie Finner, Baby Girl Flynn, 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, Michelle Greer, Samuel Guadalupe, William Guilford, Cristina Guillet, Larry Guyton, Sr. Patsy Guyton, SFCC, Debbie Hall, Doris Hall, Evelyn Harris, Kevin Harris, Marcy Harris, Veronica M. Harris, Donna Hartwell, Fr. Greg Heille, O.P., Ophelia Hill, Wanda Hill, Sharon Hood, Ronald Howard, Jacqueline Hudson, Barbara Jackson, Kevin 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, George Mackey, Mildred Maddox, Ivy Malden, Clarence Manly, Ayanna Marshall, 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, Marielle Munnerlyn, Gwendolyn Nicks, LaTonya Nicks, Carolyn Norvel, Fr. William Norvel, S.S.J., David Ogden, Dorothy J. Ogden, 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, 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, Thomas Tolliver, Saint Trevel, Judith Turner, Charles Twitty, Wanda Twitty, Mary Vanderbilt, Rosalind Vanderbilt, Leon Varner, 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, Maureen Wilcox, Lorena Wilkerson, Isaac Williams, Nathan Williams, Thelma Williams, Woodrow Williams.

PARISH NEWS

RCIA / OCIA

CLASSES meet every Wednesday evening from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. Anyone interested in learning or refreshing their study of the Catholic Faith is welcome to join us in the Administration Building.

WELCOME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS

The Parish's Annual *Welcome Home for Christmas* Breakfast and Program will be held **TODAY** Sunday, December 22 after Mass. The Sunday School children will present their annual Christmas program. Join us for food, fellowship and entertainment.

merry Christmas to all, and to all a good breakfast!

CHURCH DECORATING

Help make our place of worship fit for the newborn King! We will decorate the church for Christmas tomorrow, Monday, December 23rd, beginning at 10:00 a.m.



SANCTUARY CANDLE REMEMBRANCE

The Sanctuary Candle is lit this week *in loving memory of Rickey Brown who entered eternal life on December 14 and whose birthday was Christmas Day.* Call the Parish office at 230-1964 or email Michelle Coe at mcoe@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. 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 16, 2025.** The class is currently studying the First Letter of St. Paul to the Romans.



ATTENTION SORORS OF DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.!

In celebration of Founders Day, Sorors of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. are invited to gather here at Resurrection Catholic Church on January 12th and worship together as a group. Please dress in sorority colors and plan to arrive no later than 8:50 A.M. You may contact Wanda Twitty at 334-328-5979 or Pamela Garrett @ 334- 300-5247 for more information.

ANGEL TREE



Resurrection Youth Group is sponsoring the Angel Tree for seniors of RCM's Interfaith Community Outreach Program. Please give your gift to one of the youth ministers: Linda Carpenter, Brandon Anderson, Keri Smith or Adrienne Vaughns.

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



The next S.A.L.T. gathering is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. this **Wednesday, January 8, 2024.** 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 CATHOLIC SCHOOL

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM



Resurrection Catholic School held its annual Christmas Program on Thursday, December 19. The students entertained the parents and other attendees with a rendition of "Star of Wonder". The children did a wonderful job and the program was enjoyed by all.

PARENTS MAGAZINE TEACHER OF THE MONTH



Congratulations to 7th and 8th grade teacher, **Lillie Vaughn**, who was named Teacher of the Month in the December issue of River Region Parents Magazine. Mrs. Vaughn teaches math, science and social studies. To read the article in the magazine, use this link: <https://riverregionparents.com/teacher-of-the-month-lillie-vaughn-resurrection-catholic-school/>.

KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER AND LADIES AUXILIARY

"Behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem saying,
Where is he that is born king of the Jews?
for we have seen his star and have come to worship him."



WISE MEN STILL SEEK HIM AND WORSHIP.

WHAT ABOUT YOU?



HAVE A BLESSED CHRISTMAS!

COMMUNITY

A CHRISTMAS CAROL

NOV 21–DEC 29, 2024

Festival Stage | Recommended Ages 5+

Run time: approximately 2 hours, including a 15-minute intermission



ASF's full production returns with miserly Ebenezer Scrooge's overnight voyage of epic proportions begins. Journey with Scrooge as he learns from his ghosts (and Bob, Tiny Tim, and the

Cratchits) a heartwarming lesson in forgiveness and the change we can make around us.

Michelle Coe at mcoe@rcmsouth.org or 334-230-1964 to reserve tickets. You can pay for your tickets in the Parish Office or online at

<https://www.osvhub.com/rcmsouth/giving/funds/asf-tickets>

RESPECT LIFE

"O Blessed Mother, a the angel's word you went in haste to the aid of your cousin Elizabeth. Although pregnant yourself, you placed her needs before your own. By your example of radical solidarity, teach us to reverence and protect those in need, without conditions or expectations. Obtain for us the grace to bring Christ to any expectant mother who is alone and afraid." ~ USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities. Prayer for Radical Solidarity

We pray for all parents awaiting the birth of their child. May they look to the Blessed Mother and Saint Joseph and follow their example of cherishing and protecting human life...

POINSETTIA PLANTS



Remember a loved one during Christmas with a donation towards the beautiful poinsettias that will grace the sanctuary this Christmas season. Envelopes are included in this week's bulletin.