

The Pastorate of St. Paul and Church of the Resurrection Lent, Holy Week, and Easter 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters: We begin Lent with Ash Wednesday on March 5th this year. We hope that this year you can find a closer walk with Jesus and the Church and all the saints. God bless you! Frs. Andy, Paul, and Ray; Dcns, George, Skip, Allen, and Frank and all the staff.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS & SIMPLE SUPPERS

- At **St. Paul** <u>Simple Supper in Dohony Hall (free) from 5:30-6:45pm</u> & <u>Stations of the Cross</u> at 7pm. Fridays in Lent Mar 7, 14, 21, 28, Apr 4, 11. *No Stns/Supper on Good Friday, Apr 18.*
- At Resurrection <u>Simple Supper in the Hall (free) from 6:15-7:30pm</u>. Fri in Lent Mar 14, 28 and Apr 11. <u>Stations of the Cross</u> at 7:30pm Mar 7, 14, 21, 28, Apr 4, 11. *No Stns/Spr Apr 18*.

THE CHAMPIONS INITIATIVE: We all need a champion in our lives. You are invited to attend all of them. Let's take some time out of our schedule this Lent to grow in our faith.

- **Dennis (Denny) Bilter, "Facing My Fear,"** Sun Mar 2, St Paul church, 6:45-8:15pm. Mr. Bilter will share about how he had to lean on his faith after some very serious physical challenges. This event will have limited seating and parking so you need to register. <u>https://tinyurl.com/March2Champ</u>
- Dr Erika Rodkey, "It Feels Like Home to Me," Sun March 30, Resurrection Hall, 6:30-8pm. Erika is a licensed clinical social worker. She will present about the results from extensive studies which showed the dramatically positive impact that believing in a loving God has on young people. Dr. Rodkey is a St. Paul parishioner, and her talk will weave together research with her own personal experiences, and as a parent to three young children of her own.
- **"From Slave to Priest,"** Thurs Apr 10, in the church at Resurrection, 7pm, we will have a play by the nationally known St Luke Productions. This play is about the life of Fr. Augustus Tolton, the first African American priest in the United States. He was born in 1854 and was ordained a priest in 1886. The event will be free-of-charge but a free-will offering will be taken. For a trailer: <u>https://www2.stlukeproductions.com/dramas/tolton</u>

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE SUPPERS FOR MAR 4:

- At **St. Paul** Shrove Tuesday pancake dinner in Dohony Hall with seatings at 5-6pm and then 6:30-7:30pm. The cost will be a free will offering. To sign go to the facebook page & website.
- At **Church of the Resurrection**, Shrove Tuesday pancake supper from 5:30-7pm in the Hall at Resurrection. We would like to have a count beforehand so please sign up at: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A054DADAE2CA3FD0-54797945-shrove. The cost will

be a free-will offering accompanied by a donation to the St. Vincent de Paul Society including: spaghetti sauce, mac and cheese, small cooking oil, rice, ramen noodles, breakfast bars, soap bars and shampoo.

ACTS RETREATS: These retreats are put on by the parishioners and staff of St. Paul and Resurrection Parishes and are meant to help someone to come to a closer walk with Jesus in the Church. Many people have benefitted from these retreats in the past. They are held nearby at Bon Secours Retreat Center. To register & for more information: <u>https://www.resurrectionmd.org/acts</u> Women's Retreat March 6-9, 2025/Men's Retreat April 24-27, 2025

SMALL GROUPS: During LENT for both St. Paul and Resurrection we will have an opportunity to come together to discuss our faith with others. Pray about joining a Small Group during Lent. They will have great materials and great people to walk. Sometimes it's good to walk with others in our journey of faith. That's what Jesus taught us. So maybe this is your Lent to join a study/small group.

- The Rescue Project is a powerful series on how to grow in your walk with Jesus and the Church developed by Fr. John Riccardo from Michigan. There will be a Feb 18 info nite from 6:30-8pm about this program at Dohony Hall at St Paul. The actual program will be Tuesdays, Feb 25-Mar 25 in the Center for New Evangelization at St Paul, 6:30-8pm. On Sat, Mar 29 we'll have a half-day-long retreat starting w/Mass at 8am at St Paul, and continuing in Dohony Hall until 12:45pm. Sign up at: https://tinyurl.com/RescueProjectLent2025. For more info please contact Ray at rjammercy@gmail.com or Art at arthur.l.mccarthy@gmail.com.
- 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory Lenten Bible Study offered on Mondays & Fridays
 - Mondays: Feb 24 to Apr 7, 7-8:30pm offered in Resurrection's MP room 2 and on zoom.
 - Fridays: Feb 28 to Apr 11, 1:45pm-3:15pm in Res' Large Conference Room.
 - Register for either time at <u>https://tinyurl.com/33dayseucharisticglorylent25</u>. For questions, Kate at <u>kkleintank@archbalt.org</u>
- Women's Fr. Mark Toups Lenten Study Wednesdays
 - March 5 through April 16, 9:30 to 11am at St Paul's New Evangelist Center using "Walking w?Mary to Jerusalem." Contact Julia Stamerro at 410-949-6940.
- Luke: The Gospel of Mercy Catholic Scripture Series Bible Study: Meets 2nd & 4th Mondays (starts Mon, Feb 24) from 7:30-9pm in Resurrection's Large Conf Room. Come immerse yourself in the parables of Mercy found in Luke, to uncover God's Mercy in His own words, and to see how His Mercy is still active in the world today. Contact Kathy Martin at nitramkel@gmail.com.
- Existing Groups: These groups are currently meeting ongoing and are inviting you to join them for six weeks during Lent. They have different formats. We list below the contact person first and the start date if you are coming during Lent. Please let them know you are coming if you plan to attend.
 - Art McCarthy. 2nd and 4th Sat 8:30am. First day Mar 8. Bagel Bin at 10040 Baltimore National Pike. <u>Arthur.L.McCarthy@gmail.com</u>
 - Ann Dominski.1st and 3rd Mon. For women. First day Mar 3. Center for New Evang at St Paul. <u>Anndacts2024@gmail.com</u>.

- Robin Campbell. Thurs 9-10:30am. First day Mar 6. Center for New Evang at St Paul. racampb@aol.com.
- Matt Peroutka. Sat at 7:30am. First day Mar 8. Dohony Hall at St. Paul.
 <u>mperoutka@gmail.com</u>. Currently all men, but men and women welcome.
- Jim Myers. Mon 7-8:30am. First day Mar 3. Multipurpose room 1 at Resn. <u>The.Jim.Myers@gmail.com</u>
- Megan Gaus. Tues 7:30am. For women. First day Mar 4. Conference room at the Resn parish offices. <u>gaus737@icloud.com</u>

SPECIAL PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES:

- Daily Mass at St. Paul: 8am Tues, Thurs and Sat.
- Daily Mass at Resn: 8am Mon, 9:15am Wed, 6:30am Fri, 8am Fri.
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 - At the Resn chapel, every Mon 8:30am-6:30pm,w/rosary & benediction to close the day.
 - At the Resn chapel, every Wed 4-6pm, except for Ash Wed.
 - At St. Paul in the church, every Wed 7-8:30pm, except for Ash Wed.

CONFESSIONS DURING LENT

- At St. Paul: <u>Sats</u> at 3:30-5pm
 - <u>Weds</u> 7-8:30pm on Mar 12, 19, 26, Apr 2 (two priests), Apr 9 (three priests). No confessions on Wed Mar 5 (Ash Wed) or Wed Apr 16 (Wed of Holy Week)
- At Resurrection: <u>Sats</u> 3:30-5pm
 - <u>Weds</u> 4-6pm at the Pastoral Center (one-story office building on your left as you enter on Chatham Rd) on Mar 12, 19, 26, Apr 2 (two priests), Apr 9 (three priests.)
 - No confessions on Wed Mar 5 (Ash Wed) or Wed Apr 16 (Wed of Holy Week)
 - <u>Tues</u> Apr 15 there will be 7 priests at 7pm in the main church at Resurrection.

REFLECTION BOOKS: We will be offering some free small daily-reflection books at both St. Paul and Resurrection to all our parishioners. They'll be available at all Masses the weekend of Mar 1-2.

DAYS OF GIVING UP MEAT & FASTING: On Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays in Lent, Catholics are asked to give up meat. Also, on Ash Wednesdays and Good Friday, Catholics from age 18 through 59, are asked to fast by having one full meal and two lighter meals those days with no eating between meals.

GIVING ALMS DURING LENT: Annual Appeal for Catholic Ministries: Please know that your support helps initiatives that touch people with the love of God and the hope that comes from knowing that others care. Donate by phone at 410-547-5356 or online at <u>www.archbalt.org/appeal/give/</u>

St. Vincent de Paul Society: The parish helps people in our community with emergency assistance. Donate through the wooden "poor boxes" at the entrances to the churches at St. Paul and Resurrection. If you are giving a check, make it payable to either parish w/"St. Vincent de Paul" on the memo line.

SPECIAL MASSES AND LITURGICAL EVENTS

- Ash Wednesday, Mar 5
 - St. Paul: 6:30am Mass, 10am service, 12 noon Mass, 4pm service, 7pm Mass
 - Resurrection: 7:30am Mass, 5pm Mass, 7:30pm Mass

- Holy Thursday: Apr 17
 - **St. Paul**: Mass at 7pm with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after mass until 11pm. PLEASE BRING BELLS TO RING AT THE GLORIA
 - **Resurrection**: Mass at 7:30pm with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after mass until 10pm. PLEASE BRING BELLS TO RING AT THE GLORIA
- Good Friday: Apr 18
 - Morning Prayer: 8am at Resn (chapel)
 - Celebration of the Lord's Passion and Veneration of the Cross, 3pm & 7:30pm at Resn.
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- Holy Saturday: Apr 19
 - Morning Prayer: 8am at St. Paul and Resn (chapel)
 - Blessing of Easter Food: 12noon at Resn and 12noon at St. Paul.
 - **Easter Vigil Mass:** 8pm at Resn and 8pm at St. Paul. BRING BELLS TO RING AT THE GLORIA & ALLELUIA
 - No 3:30pm confessions or 5pm masses on Sat, Apr 19 at either St. Paul or Resurrection.
 - Easter Sunday: Apr 20, BRING BELLS TO RING AT THE GLORIA & ALLELUIA
 - St. Paul: 7:30am church, 9am church, 9am Dohony, 11am church, 11am Dohony
 - Resurrection: 7:30am church, 9:30am church, 9:30am hall, 11:30am church, 11:30am hall
- **Divine Mercy Sunday**: Apr 27, 2-3pm in the church at Resurrection. Adoration and recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

KIDS/FAMILY

Family Holy Hour: Sat Apr 5 at 10-11:30am at Resurrection. Come spend time in prayer. There will be teaching of praying in age-appropriate ways. Questions - contact Kate at <u>kkleintank@res-ec.org</u>.

Easter Egg Hunt: Sat April 12 at 10am, in the northside of the church at Resurrection. Rain date is Sun Apr 13 at 2pm. No registration is required. The Easter Bunny will be there.

Children's/Family Outdoor Good Friday Stations: Fri Apr 18.10am at Resurrection.

OTHER EVENTS

- **Catholicism 101:** May 7, 14 and 21 at 7pm at Church of the Resurrection in Meeting Rooms 2 and 3. This program is an overview of the Catholic faith and is also a program we use for Catholics who have had their First Communion but were never Confirmed. If you would attend these three classes, we'll enroll you to be Confirmed on Pentecost Sunday (June 8.) Fr. Andy at <u>aaaron@archbalt.org</u>.
- Catholic Men's Fellowship will be holding their annual conference on Saturday March 5 at St. Joseph Church in Fullerton, MD. Opening prayer at 8am, closing Mass with Archbishop Lori at 2pm. More information and registration can be found on the website: https://catholicmensfellowship.com/
- Bereavement Support Group: Wed nites at 7pm Apr 23-June 4. Location TBA. Program combines faith and psychology in dealing with the loss of a loved one. Members of the team will present from an excellent book, given to all the participants, and Fr. Andy will also conduct a prayer service. Contact Tom or Betty at shenkt3@aol.com or Biji at geobij@verizon.net.