

# CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

April 12, 2026 | Second Sunday of Easter



On the Second Sunday of Easter of the Jubilee Year 2000 when Pope John Paul II canonized St. Faustina Kowalska, he also declared the Sunday after Easter as “Divine Mercy Sunday.” Ever since, the Church has concluded the Easter Octave by celebrating Divine Mercy Sunday. This Feast highlights the merciful love of God has for His people & has manifested in the Paschal Mystery of Jesus Christ. In his 1980 encyclical Dives in Misericordia (“Rich in Mercy”), Pope John Paul II wrote: “Believing in [God’s] love means believing in mercy. For mercy is an indispensable dimension of love; it is as it were love’s second name &, at the same time, the specific manner in which love is revealed” (No. 7).” Salvation history is wrought with evidence of this truth.

The Polish nun received visions from Jesus, including one of Jesus wearing a white garment with beams of red & white coming from His heart, which came to be known as the image of Divine Mercy. These colored beams symbolized His Blood & the water that came from His pierced side which also symbolized the Sacraments of Baptism and the Eucharist. In addition to the Feast marked on the Church’s liturgical calendar, we have a Divine Mercy Chaplet which uses the Rosary.

## MASS SCHEDULE

|                                 |                |
|---------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>SUNDAY</b>                   | <b>TUESDAY</b> |
| <b>09:00am</b>                  | <b>11:30am</b> |
| <b>11:00am</b> <i>(Spanish)</i> |                |

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## OUR MISSION

**Catholic Church of the Resurrection** is a diverse Christian Community of faith that:

- is centered in the Eucharist and the Word of God
- proclaims the Good News of Jesus
- seeks, welcomes, and serves all in His name

## OUR CLERGY

**Pastor** – Rev. John M. Zimmerman

**Parochial Vicar** – Rev. Francis Bakongo Mfesao

**Parochial Vicar** – Rev. David Michael

**Deacon** – Deacon James Collins (843) 902-4833

**MASS INTENTIONS****April 12**09:00am + **Nicholas & Evelyn Parisi** (*John & Angela O'Donnell*)11:00am + **Deceased Parish Members**  
*Spanish***April 14**11:30am + **Junior Jernigan** (*Ann Jernigan*)**April 19**09:00am + **Bob Bedard** (*Sharon Bedard*)11:00am + **Deceased Parish Members**  
*Spanish***PLEASE PRAY FOR...**

|                |                          |                |
|----------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| Dottie Walker  | Military Service Members | Adam Green     |
| Jack Rafferty  | Victor Cocco             | Abigail Pike   |
| Tim Smith      | Jonathan Gorneault       | Nancy Lanni    |
| John Matraszek | Victor Cocco             | Fischer Family |
| Maria Mendoza  | Larry Walsh              | David Nelson   |
| Lena Risser    | Jim Carroll              | Terry Savino   |

**NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS****Third Sunday of Easter**

Next weekend's Gospel is about the Road to Emmaus. This could be compared to Mass, except its conclusion. It begins with two disciples leaving Jerusalem. As the narrative goes, Jesus joined their conversation about what had been happening in Jerusalem the past few days as if He didn't know. He began to explain what was in the Old Testament that He Himself fulfilled - although they did not recognize Him as Jesus at that time. This could be compared to the Liturgy of the Word as we hear the Word of God - first what was in the Old Testament and then how He fulfilled it in the Gospel. After arriving in Emmaus, they began a meal at which point they recognized Him "in the Breaking of Bread", the first term for the Mass (cf. Luke 24: 35; Acts 2: 42; 1 Cor 11: 23-29) - the Liturgy of the Eucharist. However, in this meal, Jesus never changed the wine into His Blood, let alone offer It to them; He disappeared as they recognized Him. Thus, He also did not conclude it with a dismissal as we do.

**STEWARDSHIP**

As humans, we think little or negatively of our sufferings. We may equate feeling bad with evil & feeling good as a blessing. However, Jesus' suffering was for our benefit. The sufferings of many saints merited graces that these holy men & women offered up to Jesus, willingly & lovingly, so as to share in His Passion for the sake of others. Our sufferings can serve as stewardship when we do so with a cheerful heart - as difficult as that might be in the moment. However, this is called redemptive suffering. Offering up our sufferings to Jesus & sharing in His Passion merits graces, whether we recognize it in the moment or not. Just as Jesus could have used His time on earth to enjoy earthly pleasures but spent it in service, particularly during His Passion, offering up our sufferings for whatever purpose God may use them for is our choice to serve & allow someone to benefit from our lack of pleasure.

**PASTOR'S LETTER**

Happy Easter!

It seems to be all about mercy these days of Easter. First, Jesus came not to condemn but to save the people of God. This was after He taught by word and example how to live, how to show compassion, understanding, and mercy. Time after time He corrected Apostles, like (doubting) Thomas the Sunday after His Resurrection, only to use it as a teaching lesson and continue moving forward.

Then, Sr. (now Saint) Faustina died having left us the Divine Mercy Chaplet, which then-Pope John Paul II promulgated with Divine Mercy Sunday as he canonized her a saint in 2000. A few years ago, Pope Francis named the year as "the Year of Mercy" providing a list of things for us to do to obtain plenary indulgences to attain special graces of God's mercy. Like many things, Christians have to act on these opportunities; there is no wand that does it for us. It requires us to be open to change and try something new. If we cling to the "status quo", we are likely to miss out. The saints had particular devotions that they regularly prayed, but were open to God surprising them and they reflected in prayerful meditation.

The faithful are encouraged to devote 30 to 60 minutes of focused prayer each day. While this can be broken into a few different times during the day, it does not mean (30) 2-minute prayers, but perhaps (4) 15-minute time slots for prayer. Or when possible, spending one hour without interruption really assists us in our prayer with our merciful God, developing a relationship with Him Who is "love and mercy itself." This will assist us to be more like Him.

Happy Easter Season! +

*Fr. John***QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

*"O you small, everyday sacrifices, you are to me like wild flowers which I strew over the feet of my beloved Jesus. I sometimes compare these trifles to the heroic virtues, and that is because their enduring nature demands heroism."*

--From the Diary of St. Faustina Kowalska





We are in need of more **VOLUNTEER COUNTERS** to provide accurate, consistent, confidential and timely processing of all donations and monetary gifts to the church. Background and Credit Checks are required. **Please see Jean if interested.**



**Sunday, April 12, at 3:00 PM**  
Please bring your Rosary Beads.

● Join Us for a ●

# BOND-FIRE

## Movie Night

On Friday, April 17, at 5:30 p.m., all 7th–12th graders are invited to an evening of grilling, games, a movie, and a bonfire! Parents, please return at 7:30 p.m. to join Fr. John for a brief talk. At 8:15 p.m., parents and youth will come together to enjoy the bonfire and s'mores.

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Contact Kalani Moberg for more information: [kmoberg@charlestondiocese.org](mailto:kmoberg@charlestondiocese.org)



IF you are active in the parish, participating in one or more ministries and/or groups, and are interested in serving on the **Pastoral Council for Resurrection**, please see Jean in the office to complete an application.

### March 29 Offertory

| Mass     | Offertory  | Weekly Budget | Variance  | Attendance |
|----------|------------|---------------|-----------|------------|
| 9:00 am  | \$2,218.87 | \$2,788.46    | \$ 519.41 | 9am – 192  |
| 11:00 am | \$1,089.00 |               |           | 11am – 138 |

| YTD Offertory | YTD Budget    | YTD Variance |
|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| \$ 110,080.59 | \$ 105,961.48 | \$ 4,079.11  |

| Second/Other Collections      | March 15  | March Total |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Building Fund-9am             | \$ 639.41 | \$ 1,442.05 |
| Building Fund-11am            | \$ 0.00   | \$ 312.00   |
| Black & Indian-9am            | \$ 0.00   | \$ 15.00    |
| Black & Indian-11am           | \$ 0.00   | \$ 7.00     |
| HTC Catholic Schools-9am      | \$ 0.00   | \$ 218.65   |
| HTC Catholic Schools-11am     | \$ 0.00   | \$ 279.00   |
| Catholic Appeal-9am           | \$ 20.00  | \$ 75.00    |
| Catholic Appeal-11am          | \$ 2.00   | \$ 10.00    |
| Catholic Relief Services-9am  | \$ 20.00  | \$ 225.00   |
| Catholic Relief Services-11am | \$ 9.00   | \$ 256.00   |
| Eastern Europe-11am           | \$ 0.00   | \$ 3.00     |

### SECOND COLLECTIONS

THIS week's Second collection is for the **Capital Campaign (Building Fund)**.

There is NO Second collection next Sunday, April 19.

### ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES

#### Communion to Homebound, Hospital, Nursing

Dcn. Jim Collins (843) 9024833, Joe Allen (843) 450-4942 or Donna Kennedy (843) 267-7875

**Food Closet** Sharon Bedard (843) 877-9738

**Prayer Network** Kat Knowles (843) 877-3592

**Children's Faith Formation** (Aug-May) Sun: 9:45am  
Jean O'Rourke (843) 902-1310

**Ladies Guild** (Sept-May) 2nd Thursdays: 12:00pm  
Sharon Francis (267) 718-3412

**Knights of Columbus** 3rd Tuesdays: 7:00pm  
Keith Curtin (301) 440-8962

**Columbiettes** 3rd Wednesdays: 12:00pm  
Kat Knowles (843) 877-3592

**Bautismo, Quinceañeras, Matrimonios**  
Miriam Schaefer al (843) 663-0091